THE WEATHER

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MAY END WAR

Germany, Austria, Turkey and Bulgaria Send Notes to Neutral Nations and the Vatican Expressing Readiness "to Enter Forthwith on Peace Negotiations"---Terms Said to Propose Restoration of the Status Quo Before War With the Exception of Establishment of Independent Kingdoms of Poland and Lithuania

BERLIN, Dec. 11, via wireless to Sayville—Germany and her allies today proposed to enter forthwith into peace negotiations. The propositions which they will bring forward are, according to Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, appropriate for the establishment of a lasting peace. The Austrian, Turkish and Bulgarian governments are making similar proposals. These proposals have been transmitted also to the Vatican.

The following announcement was given out today by the semi-official Overseas News agency:

"The chancellor this morning received one after another the representatives of the United States of America and Spain and Switzerland—that is, of the states protecting German interests in hostile foreign countries. The chancellor transmitted to them a note and asked them to bring it to the knowledge of the hostile governments. The note will be read today in the reichstag by the chancellor.

"In the note the four allied (central) powers propose to enter forwith on peace negotiations.

"The propositions which they bring for such negotiations are, according to their firm belief, appropriate for the establishment of a lasting peace.

"The governments at Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia transmitted identical notes and also communicated with the Holy See and all other neutral powers.

GERMANY'S PEACE TERMS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Advices from Berlin to the German embassy indicate that Germany's peace terms, in general measure propose the restoration of the status quo before the war with the exception of the establishment of independent kingdoms of Poland and Lithuania. They are understood to propose the complete restoration of the occupied portions of Belgium and France in return for German's captured colonies and to dispose of the Balkan situation because of its extremely complicated nature, in the peace conference.

PRESIDENT WILSON NOTIFIED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—News that Germany and her allies were about to enter on peace negotiations was sent to the president. Speaking for the president, Secretary Tumulty said he was deeply interested but could make no comment at least until it was learned what reception the proposal received from the entente allies.

The state department received its first information of Germany's proposal through The Associated Press despatches from which officials assumed that the offices of the neutrals addressed are asked only to transmit the proposals. This will be done, so far as the United States is concerned, promptly on receipt of official despatches in Washington. They will be forwarded to all the entente countries where the United States represents the central powers diplomatically.

Whether the United States would accompany the transmission with any comment or suggestion, it was indicated, depends entirely upon the nature of the proposal and whether it is considered likely of consideration. If the offer is deemed one on which all sides might negotiate the United States probably would urge that it be taken up.

In transmitting the proposals, it was officially stated, the United States probably would follow the practice which has been invariable so far in acting as the medium of communication between the hostile governments, and would not make them public. The terms would, of course, be known to President Wilson and Secretary Lansing who would examine them to determine whether they should be accompanied by any word from the United States.

The foreign embassies and legations received their first information of the event through The Associated Press despatches.

On every hand the discussion turned to what had moved Germany and her allies to make their proposals at this time. Although for many weeks there have been persistent and officially denied reports that some peace proposal was about to be made by President Wilson there was no open indication that the central powers themselves were about to make one. Generally the announcement was a distinct surprise through official and diplomatic circles.

One prevailing opinion was that the Germanic allies had brought out their peace offer at this time when the expectation of making terms which might be acceptable to the allies of England and in effect might possibly cause the British government to yield to the pressure of the nations fighting with her. It has been generally acknowledged in entente circles that efforts would be made by Germany to conclude peace separately with her enemies, but so far all the entente nations have reiterated their intention to adhere to their agreement made early in the war not to make separate peace.

The United States represents Austria and Germany in Belgium, France, Great Britain, Japan, Russia, Serbia and Rumania; represents Turkey in France; Great Britain and Japan; has taken over Bulgarian interests nowhere and does not represent any of the belligerent governments in Italy, Portugal or Montenegro.

FUTURE OF WALLACHIA

LONDON, Dec. 12. An Amsterdam despatch to the Times says that, according to the latest reports, the speech of Chancellor von Behmann-Hollweg before the reichstag today will be concerned with the political future of Wallachia.

MAYOR AND MORSE DON'T AGREE ON STREET CONSTRUCTION

A noted difference of opinion recently developed between Mayor O'Donnell and Commissioner Charles F. Morse in the matter of using tar in street construction so late in the season. The mayor wrote a letter to the commissioner in which he stated that he was informed by men who knew that the weather was too cold to use either oil or tar and that the practice ought to be stopped.

"When I received that letter," said Commissioner Morse this morning, "I was macadamizing Daniels street off Andover, and was about quarter way through. I took no notice of the letter because I knew what I was doing and that I was right I kept right on and finished Daniels street, and I would

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SUPERIOR COURT

Case Against Martina A. Gage Went to the Jury This Afternoon—One Juror Ill

The case of Vida S. Walker, administratrix, vs. Martina A. Gage was given to the jury for deliberation in the local session of the superior court this afternoon after nearly five days of trial. At the opening of court this forenoon arguments were made by the respective attorneys and Judge Keating's charge was made this afternoon. The defence argued that the death of Benjamin Hirst, Mrs. Walker's father, was not caused by the accident six months before, as was claimed by the plaintiff.

But 12 jurors decided the case as the 12th, who sat for the five days hearing the evidence, was ill this morning and did not report. Counsel for both sides agreed to allow 11 men to return a verdict rather than delay the case any longer, and this was agreeable to court.

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KING OF GREECE ORDERS GENERAL MOBILIZATION

LONDON, Dec. 12, 2:15 p. m.—An Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen says advices have been received there from Switzerland to the effect that King Constantine of Greece has ordered a general mobilization.

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LOWELL MAN NOT GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

Edward Chaput, of 502 Moody street, this city, who was being held on a charge of manslaughter for causing the death of a man named Torosian in an automobile accident, was yesterday released after the grand jury sitting at Dedham returned no bill against him.

A couple of months ago Chaput and a couple of other young men from this city left Lowell on an automobile ride. When they reached Foxboro they met a disabled machine on the road and Torosian and another party named Fred Curtis were among the occupants of the disabled car. The Lowell boys volunteered their services and took Torosian and Curtis along in their car while the disabled automobile was towed in.

Chaput, who was not a licensed chauffeur, was at the wheel under the supervision of the chauffeur in charge of the car. The machine was so crowded that one of the passengers stood on the running board, and while turning a corner the passenger on the running board got hold of the steering wheel to protect himself from falling, with the result that the car crashed into a cement bridge. Curtis was severely injured, while Torosian received injuries, which proved fatal.

Chaput was arranged on a charge of manslaughter and was later released on a $2,000 bail. The case was heard by the grand jury with the result that no bill was found. Arthur L. Eno of this city and Lawyer Shea of Boston appeared for Chaput.

DEATHS

BETTENCOURT—Evelyn Bettencourt died this morning at the home of her parents, James and Maria Bettencourt, 82 Union street, aged 5 months.

SIKSLINSKI—Stanislaw, aged 1 year, 2 months and 15 days, died yesterday at the home of the parents, Stanislaw and Antonia Siksliński, 26 Winter street. Burial took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock in St. Patrick's cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

JANOCHA—Wladyslaw, aged 11 months and 20 days, died yesterday at the home of the parents, Joseph and Caroline Janocha, 12 Brockton avenue. Burial took place this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock in St. Patrick's cemetery under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

AUGISTIN—Mary Augistin, aged 19 years, died today at her home, 130 Aiken street.

LEQUIN—Edouard, aged 27 days, died today at the home of the parents, Arthur and Louise Lequin, 243 Ludlam street. Burial took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery under the direction of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

EAGLES, NOTICE

All members of Lowell Aerie are requested to be present at the home of our late brother, Clement Cyr, 182 Moody street, tonight at 7:30 o'clock, where the exercises of our order will be held.

Per order,
PATRICK J. McCANN, W. Pres.
JOHN M. HOGAN, Sec.

SUIT FOR $1000 AGAINST DAVID ZISKIND

An automobile accident which occurred at the corner of Market and Suffolk streets on November 2nd last has resulted in a $1000 suit, an action of tort, brought by Nicholas Contrakos of this city against David Ziskind. Fisher H. Pearson represents the plaintiff and Dickson & Knowles the defendant.

In his declaration the plaintiff alleges that he was riding around the corner on a bicycle when he was struck by an automobile owned and operated by the defendant and thrown to the street. He claims that he was injured and that his bicycle and clothing were destroyed. The defendant's answer is that Contrakos was to blame for the accident.

FUNERAL NOTICES

HALL—The funeral of Mrs. Catherine Hall will take place tomorrow (Wednesday) morning at 8 o'clock from the home of her son, John P. Hall, 51 Seventh street. A mass of requiem will be sung at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Jas. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

LYNCH—The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth P. Lynch will take place tomorrow (Wednesday) morning at 9 o'clock from her home, 130 Walker street. Solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 10 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

VARIED LIST OF CASES IN THE POLICE COURT

The greater part of this morning's session of the police court was taken up with the trial of Alexander Lessard, charged with "after causing injury to property did not stop and make known his name, residence and the number of his motor vehicle."

According to the testimony, after the facts offered by witnesses had

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THE SUN ELECTION EXTRA TONIGHT

The Sun will issue a special election edition tonight. It will be out with the complete results of today's election as soon as all the returns are in. Complete returns are expected to be in before 7 o'clock.

MACHINISTS

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MAIL ROBBERIES OF NEARLY $200,000

PAIR OF POSTOFFICE DRIVERS ARRESTED—SAID TO HAVE CONFESSED AT BUFFALO

BUFFALO, Dec. 12.—Mail robberies amounting to thousands of dollars were disclosed yesterday, postal authorities announced. In the confessions of Richard and Frank Chapin, brothers, who are mail wagon drivers. Jewelry valued at between $10,000 and $15,000 was recovered at the Chapin house, but it is said much of the other loot consisting of stock certificates and negotiable paper was destroyed. Frank Chapin has been under arrest since Dec. 8. Richard Chapin was arrested Monday at Athens, Pa.

Many firms in Buffalo have been reporting the loss of mail during the last two months. Inspectors traced the leakage to the wagons driven by the Chapins, and Frank was arrested. Richard disappeared. The extent of the theft was kept secret until he was brought here yesterday.

Postofice inspectors say nearly $20,000 worth was stolen, much of it negotiable paper which no effort was made to cash and generally destroyed. The inspectors recovered three big bags of such paper. They say the Chapin house was furnished with goods obtained from a premium agency of coupons taken from the mails.

The two men under arrest confessed, the inspectors say, they made keys from samples of locks stolen from the mail pouches. They opened pouches on the first trip out every night, and abstracted quantities of mail which they took home during the lunch hour.

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

One of those old-time favorite dramas which never seem to grow old in the minds of lovers of good, wholesome stories is being proffered by the Emerson Players at the Lowell Opera House this week and in spite of its 20 years of existence over the footlights it promises to score a big hit during the remainder of the week in this city. The play is entitled "In Old Kentucky," and it is all that its name signifies. The scenes, of course, are laid in Kentucky and the characters, too, are all of the southern type. Although the size of the audience last evening was reduced on account of the weather, those who attended were very appreciative and judging from the reception given the presentation "In Old Kentucky" will undoubtedly prove one of the most popular plays of the season.

Miss Ann O'Day, the popular leading lady of the company, scores a big success in the role of Madge, the carefree and pretty girl of the Kentucky mountains. The part interpreted by Miss O'Day this week is a difficult one, but she handles it admirably. She is seen in many thrilling scenes, one of which is a daring leap to save the young man whom she later marries, another in which she rescues a race horse and her appearance to take the place of a lost jocked in an important race. Miss O'Day also gives several banjo selections and these also send out the spirit of the south.

Jean Miller portrays the role of the young southerner and shares the honors with Miss O'Day. James J. Hayden is excellent as the young man of the Kentucky mountains and Millard Vincent appears as Horace Holton. Frank Wright, who also has charge of the presentation of the play, made a good impression last evening as "Neb," the funny negro and James T. Galloway, a southern gentleman who loves the race track, assisted in the success of the play. Miss Gertrude Shirley and Miss Morison performed well in minor parts.

The story of "In Old Kentucky" is well known by theatregoers of many years past. Seldom, however, is a play so popular seen in stock circles. The story is intensely interesting. It contains a love affair and there is just enough comedy injected to please the audience. The scenes in the mountains of Kentucky are really pleasing and much credit is due the director for this part of the production.

The story of the play is centered around Madge, the girl of the mountains, and Frank Layson, a young southerner. They meet by chance at a lonely spot near the girl's home and their acquaintance grows into deep love in spite of objections made by family and friends. The obstacles that are necessary to overcome during the courtship of the couple before their marriage develop many interesting scenes. Only the negro slave, who is once saved from a horsewhipping by Layson, sticks by the young people in their love affair. Of the many interesting scenes, the one in which the young girl volunteers to act as jockey and later rides the young southerner's horse to victory is most delightful.

"In Old Kentucky" will be shown twice daily during the rest of the week.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

A program of rare excellence was thoroughly enjoyed by the many people who thronged the Merrimack Sq. theatre yesterday afternoon and evening in search of solid amusement, which they received, even beyond the expectations of the most critical. Owen Moore and Irene Fenwick entertained all with their interpretations of the leading roles in their five act feature drama, "A Coney Island Princess," adapted from the play "The Princess Zim-Zim," a sparkling comedy which results from trying to introduce Coney Island mannerisms into Fifth avenue society and vice versa. There was a hearty laugh in every scene. Eleanor Woodruff and C. Aubrey Smith worked very effectively in the important roles of the five act dramatization of Wm. J. Locke's great novel, "Jaffery," a gripping story of a newspaper correspondent who is sent to the Balkans at the time of their war. The situations which are tense are many and throughout the play the eyes of the audience are kept riveted upon the screen. The Pathe News and comedy and other plays were of the highest order. This splendid bill will be again repeated at the continuous performances at the Merrimack Sq. today and tomorrow, thus giving all a chance to take in this exceptionally fine show.

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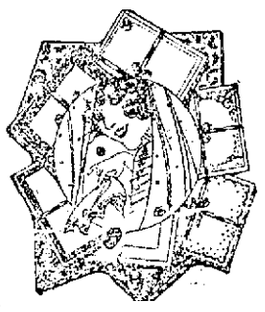
LONDON, Dec. 12. — The absence through the illness of Premier Lloyd George and former Premier Asquith, the principal figures in the late ministerial crisis, and the decision of the cabinet to postpone until Thursday its statement of policy robbed today's session of the house of commons of the interest which usually attaches to the first meeting of a new government with parliament. However, a large number of members returned to London for the session. The attitude of those whose position remained in doubt was indicated by the seats they took, either behind the cabinet or with the opposition forces. Meanwhile the new ministers were mastering their departments which most of them took over yesterday. A. J. Balfour, however, delayed his transfer until this morning, when he assumed charge of the foreign office. For the moment the foreign ministry is occupied with the problem of dealing with the Athens government.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—An Amsterdam despatch to the Times quotes the Maasbode as saying that immediately after it was known that David Lloyd George had become British premier a special meeting of the Dutch cabinet was held. After this meeting the Maasbob says, telegrams were sent to all Dutch shipping agents in America instructing them to reserve all available tonnage for government grain and cancell all arrangements for other tonnage.

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Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 6 in a box for....50c

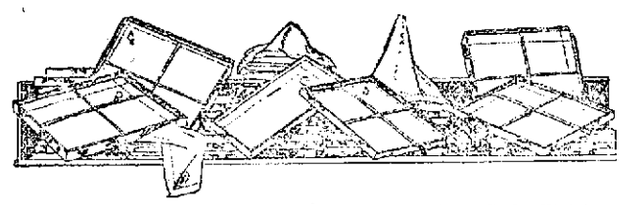
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DR. MAHONY RECOVERING

Friends of Dr. Francis R. Mahony, the well known physician of The Sun building and Stevens street, will be glad to learn that he is rapidly recovering from the effects of an operation performed a few days ago at the Carney hospital. Dr. Mahony before coming to Lowell was a member of the staff of the Carney hospital and he is a close personal friend of Dr. Bottomly, who performed the operation. He expects to be back at his Lowell practice in a few weeks.

NORWEGIAN SHIP SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Lloyd's announces that the Norwegian steamer Agder is reported sunk.

The Agder is a vessel of 304 tons gross. Her recent movements have not been reported.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

FORMER EDITOR DEAD

John McVickar, Aged 73, Was Once President of I.T.U. and Formerly Editor of Detroit News

CHICAGO, Dec. 12. John McVickar, 73 years old, once president of the International Typographical union and formerly editor of the Detroit News died here yesterday.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN TOWN OF MERRIMAC

HAVERHILL, Dec. 12.—The adjoining town of Merrimac was swept by a disastrous fire at 2 o'clock this morning resulting in the total destruction of the Merrimac Flaring works, Joan Murphy, proprietor, together with his barn and damaging his residence, complete loss of the carriage factory and residence of S. C. Pease and badly damaging Little block. The wires of the telephone exchange were burned out and also the electric light wires. The loss is estimated at $25,000. Help was summoned from Haverhill and Amesbury.

TWO COAL BARGES SANK IN STORM; THIRD ADRIFT

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 12.—Two coal barges in tow of the tug Dewitt C. Ivins, bound from New York for Boston, sank off the Brenton's Reef lightship during a storm, early today, and the third barge of the tow broke adrift. A man and a woman were rescued after being thrown into the water when the barge Francis Malqueen went down, and the only man on board the other lost barge, the name of which has not been learned, was saved. The barge St. Daniel with one man on board, was drifting toward Point Judith, when last seen. The tug put in here, and it was planned that she should go in search of the St. Daniel later in the day.

WILL PRESENT ONE ACT FRENCH COMEDY

The next regular meeting of the members of the local branch of L'Alliance Francaise will be held Thursday evening at the Rogers Hall school in Boyce street, with President Rene P. Lys in the chair. Considerable business of importance will be transacted and the latter part of the evening will be taken up by entertainment.

"Le Sabotier," a one act French comedy, will be presented by W. P. Cassey, Jr., Arthur L. Lee, Miss Susan McEvoy and Miss Sarah Linthicum, the latter a member of the faculty of the school. In addition an excellent musical program will be given by Miss Anna Merrill, a talented soprano singer; Miss Agnes J. Kerwin, and Miss Fletcher. Miss Elodie Campbell Lee, a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music, will be the accompanist.

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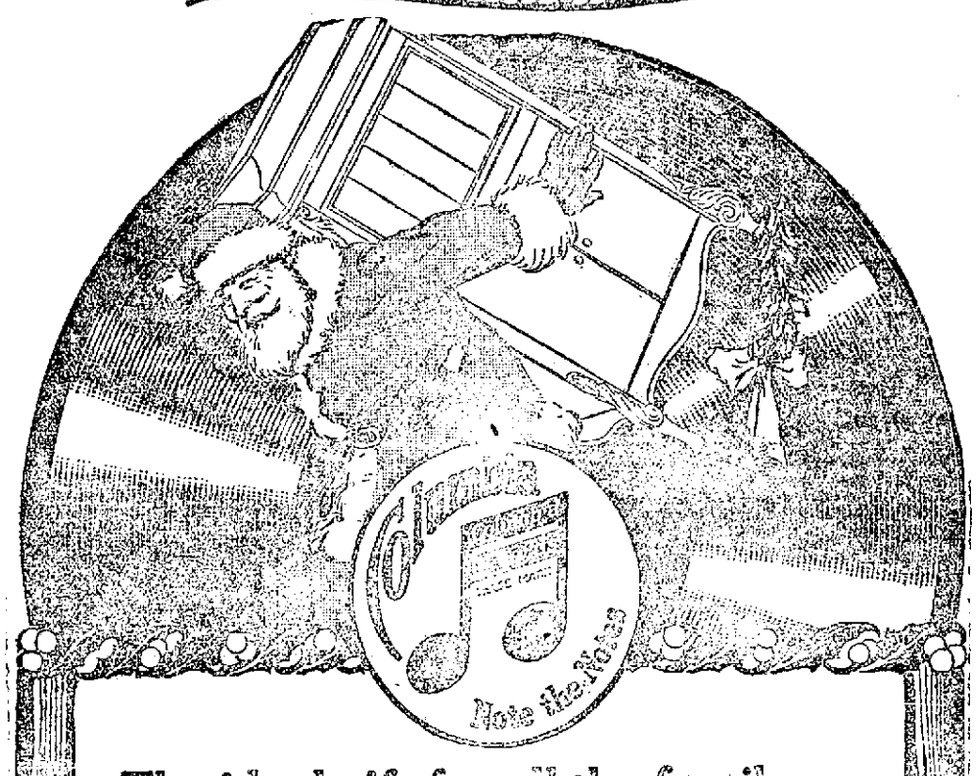
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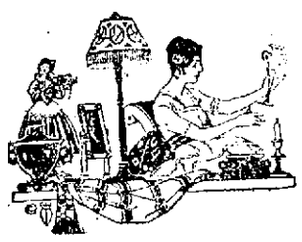
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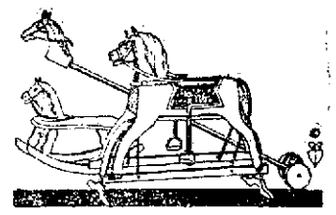
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MUSIC CABINETS
CHINESE SEA GRASS FURNITURE
PARLOR SETS
LEATHER CHAIRS
TAPESTRY CHAIRS
CHINA CASES
PICTURES
OFFICE DESKS
OFFICE TABLES
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WICKER CHAIRS, Plain, $4.50 to $10.00
IMPORTED JAPANESE LAMPS
MARTHA WASHINGTON SEWING TABLES, solid mahogany.....$15.00
WICKER CHAIRS, upholstered....$8.50 to $30.00
CHINESE SEA GRASS CHAIRS, Special...$10.50
FINE ASSORTMENT OF FRAMED PICTURES
NEST TABLES, solid mahogany, satin wood inlay. Special $20.00
FANCY CHAIRS, in all woods, patterns and sizes, $5.00 to $40.00
MAHOGANY PIANO LAMPS, Silk Shades, $13.50 to $25.00
GLOBE-WERNICKE SECTIONAL BOOKCASES
UTILITY BOXES, all sizes, $2.50
SMOKING STANDS, all patterns.
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LIVE BABY TO BE GIVEN AWAY NEW YEAR'S

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—A three-months-old baby, guaranteed to be of good parents and in good health and to be without a physical defect, will be given to suitable foster parents on Jan. 1, on the occasion of the annual ball of the Saugus lodge, K. of P., at the Saugus town hall.

The child is homeless and is now staying at a temporary home provided for it by Carl F. Kock, chairman of the three rank staff of the lodge. Mr. Kock declines to divulge any details regarding the child further than attesting that it is healthful and worthy in every detail calculated from the standards of babyhood.

Six couples have already petitioned that they be the foster parents of the baby. As applications are made to the committee of three in whose hands is the decision of the future foster parents of the child, the personal history of each of the couple is investigated.

The committee says that it will secure for the baby a good home, with a couple that is likely to be as mother and father to the infant. The decision in the matter will be made in time for its announcement at the lodge's annual ball, Jan. 1.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Loyal Immanuel lodge, I.O.O.F., M.U., was held last night, Noble Grand Harold Merrill presiding. Five new members were elected and three propositions for membership were received. Officers for the ensuing six months were nominated. Four new members were obligated. The officers for the ceremonies were P.S., Thos. Chadwick; P.G., Frederick Silk; P.G., Thomas M. Smith, and P.G., Arthur DeLong. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 26, instead of on Monday, that day being Christmas.

The members of Division 8, A.O.H., met in regular session last night, E. J. Flannery occupying the chair. Considerable routine business was transacted. Sixteen candidates were received and four candidates obligated. John Parrett reported the business transacted at the convention of the Middlesex county of the Catholic Federation of Societies.

The next meeting of the division will be held next Monday evening at 8 o'clock at which time the election of officers will take place.

JUVENILE THIEVES BUSY OPERATING

The provision store conducted by Henry J. Farrell at 162 Market street was entered some time Sunday and, although a quantity of goods was taken, no attempt was made to get into the safe, and it is the opinion of the police that boys were responsible for the break.

Three bricks were removed from a wall in the rear of a storeroom of the place and the cavities were used to reach a transom over a door in the rear of the building. Evidently one of the boys crawled through a transom and opened the door for the others, as they took whatever goods they found easy to carry away.

After committing the break the thieves walked through the door and left it open. This is another of the numerous breaks made in the vicinity of Merrimack, Market and Middle streets recently. Several weeks ago some boys were brought into court charged with breaking and entering and larceny, but it would appear according to this break that the whole of the gang was not captured.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

SETS FIRE TO CELL IN LEWISTON, ME., JAIL

MAN WHO RAN THROUGH STREETS AFTER DISROBING ON CHURCH STEPS CAUSES SCARE

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 12.—Ernest Gignere, 35, who ran amuck through Lewiston streets Sunday after disrobing on the steps of the Park Street Methodist Episcopal church, yesterday set fire to the padded cell in which he was confined. The blaze caused damage to the city buildings estimated at $500.

Gignere had repeatedly broken a bolt on the door of the padded cell, and the door finally was nailed. Hearing continued pounding, Officers Gauthier and Libby went to the cell corridor and the prisoner then began throwing glass. Thinking the man had broken the window, Officer Gauthier hastened to the exterior of the building and looking through the window saw Gignere touch a match to the wall of canvas filled with excelsior.

A telephone call brought apparatus from the central fire station, but the flames spread so fast that a box alarm was turned in. Before it was under control the fire worked its way to the second floor, causing considerable damage to the office of the board of assessors.

Gignere was dragged from the burning cell unhurt and confined with the other prisoners. Where he got the match to start the fire is not known, but the police think it was hidden in the wall by a man previously imprisoned there.

SOUTH LEADS IN COTTON MILL CONSUMPTION

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 12.—Practically the whole of the great American cotton crop will be converted into the finished fabric in American mills 20 years from now if the present annual ratio of increase continues, declared Col. Harvie Jordan, president of the Southern Cotton Growers' association, today in an address before the southern commercial congress. If this prediction should be fulfilled, he said, the ultimate annual value of each crop would reach the enormous total of $2,000,000,000.

"The south now occupies the leading position in cotton mill consumption throughout the world," said Col. Jordan. "It consumes annually more lint cotton than all of the textile mills of Great Britain, more than all those of New England and the balance of the United States combined and more than all the combined countries of Europe." A few years ago, he asserted, 75 per cent of the raw cotton had to be exported while now foreign mills under peace conditions could not export more than 50 per cent.

Pointing out that it was the country or section which manufactures the raw material into finished fabric that secures the enormous profits of value from each pound, Col. Jordan declared that the 20,000,000 bales of the south's cotton crop, sold for its full value for the first time since the Civil war, would bring growers $1,250,000,000. He said present high prices of the staple was due largely to the federal reserve banking system and the cotton futures law.

BETSY ROSS CIRCLE

Apollo Male Quartet Coming to Lowell—Musical and Literary Evening at Colonial Hall

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 13, the Apollo Male quartet of Boston, assisted by Velma Bailey Hicks, reader, will give the following program for the benefit of Betsy Ross circle, No. 25, Ladies of the G.A.R., at Colonial hall.

Quartet, "Swing Along," Southern Melody.....Cook
Reading,
Act 3. Scene 2
From "If I Were King"
Dramatized by Velma Bailey Hicks
Mrs. Hicks
Quartet, "At Dawning".....Cadman
Solo, Selected
Mr. Hemenway
Quartet, "Magnolia of Tennessee," Bray
Reading, "Johnnie, His Mother and the Schoolmarm"
Mrs. Hicks
Quartet, "Twilight is Lovelight" Rubenstein
Solo, Selected
Mr. Logan
Quartet, "Just A Wearyin' For You," Bond
Reading, "Home Sweet Home"
Mrs. Hicks
Quartet, "Blue Danube Waltzes" Strauss

Tickets on sale at door.

TRIPLE CAESARIAN BIRTH

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Triplets, by a Caesarian operation, were born to Mrs. John Ravella at the Norwood Corner House hospital yesterday. The operation was performed by Dr. Thomas H. O'Toole, assisted by Dr. J. J. Haggerty and Dr. L. F. Johnson, and was highly successful, all 3 children being healthy and the mother resting comfortably last night.

The babies are receiving much attention, as they are the first triplets born at Norwood's community hospital.

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WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 12.—Mayor Chapman recommended sinking funds to take care of insurance charges annually, rather than to be allowed to accumulate to $20,000, payable every five years, in his inaugural yesterday. He also recommended that a sinking fund be started to provide funds to redeem the city hall construction bonds as fast as they come due, the first in 1922.

Another suggestion was that the city delegation in the legislature seek an amendment to the Workmen's Compensation act to provide a method of self-insurance by cities who prefer to assume their own risks under the law, rather than avail themselves of insurance in insurance companies.

CARTRIDGE CO. TO STOP ALL NIGHT WORK

Unless conditions change it is probable that about 1500 employes of the United States Cartridge Co. will be laid off within the next couple of months. The present number employed at the great ammunition factory is 8500, and unless new orders are received this number will be reduced gradually to about 5200 and probably less as it is planned to stop all night work.

Moulders' Union

A largely attended meeting of the members of the Moulders' union was held last evening at 32 Middle street. A feature of the evening was the nomination of officers. Other business was transacted, including the voting of a donation to the Moulders' union of Nashua, N. H., and one for the striking corset workers of Springfield. Present at the meeting was Business Agent Murphy, who addressed the gatherings. It was voted to hold the next meeting on the Monday following Christmas.

Grinders and Finishers

The members of the Die Grinders and Finishers' union will hold a banquet at the Richardson hotel on Saturday evening, Dec. 30, and John E. Fitzgerald and John F. Flynn, both international vice presidents of the organization, have been invited to attend.

Slasher Tenders

Considerable business was transacted at the Slasher Tenders' union's meeting which was held last evening. Reports showing the organization to be in a good financial condition were read and new members were initiated.

CHELSEA FIRE LOSS $18,500

Flames For a Time Threaten to Spread in District Regarded as Dangerous

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—A general alarm fire, that caused damage amounting to $18,500, gave the Chelsea firemen a hard battle yesterday afternoon. The absence of a strong wind aided in preventing a conflagration. Two alarms were rounded from box 23 at 1.15.

The fire was in a two-story brick building and shed at the corner of Spruce and Fourth streets, owned and used by Anastos & Chakalis as a bakery.

The fire was located in a dangerous district and for a time several brick apartment houses on Spruce street were menaced. The occupants fled to the street. Two tanks of the Standard Oil company located near the railroad tracks, about 70 yards away, added to the peril.

$100,000 TO BOSTON UNIVERSITY

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—A gift of $100,000, one of the largest ever given to Boston university for the establishment of scholarships, was received yesterday. The name of the donor, who did not care to have his identity made public, is withheld by the college authorities.

The fund will be known as the "Professor Augustus Howe Buck Educational Fund," and is conferred for use of men who are to pursue studies at the College of Liberal Arts department of the university.

The scholarships are to pay the entire tuition fees of the student during his four years in college and will also continue should he follow in special scientific research work along professional lines.

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THREE OF CREW OF BRITISH SHIP KILLED

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Lloyds shipping agency announces that three members of the crew of the British steamer Britannia, a vessel of 1814 tons, reported yesterday as believed to have been sunk, were killed and the captain of the steamer made prisoner.

U. S. TO BUILD FIRST NAVY HOSPITAL SHIP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The projected navy hospital ship, construction of which has been authorized, will be the first vessel designed and built for this purpose by any nation, according to Surgeon-General Braisted whose annual report was made public today. Every convenience of an up-to-date shore hospital has been provided for and provision will be made to accommodate 3000 patients in peace times and 500 in war. She will carry special stabilizers to minimize rolling and pitching, laboratories for surgical and medical work, complete X-ray equipment, and in the holds, a full shore-going hospital outfit, including ambulances.

"When completed," the report says, "it is believed the ship will represent a model ship of this class for many years to come and her usefulness may well be expected to continue during the lifetime of those who had a hand in her designing."

INQUIRY INTO NEWS PRINT PAPER PRICES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The inquiry into all conditions that affect news print paper prices to be made by the federal trade commission at a public hearing here tomorrow, it was announced today, will go into the reasonableness of contract and current prices, costs and profits of paper manufacturers, gross profits of jobbers, factors affecting the supply and demand and remedies for the situation.

At a previous hearing during the summer paper users declared they would later present evidence to show there had been collusion among news print producers to raise prices.

Manufacturers, jobbers, publishers and others interested will testify tomorrow. Among those expected here are P. T. Dodge, president of the International Paper Co.; George Chahoon, Jr., a Canadian manufacturer; E. W. Backus, of the Minnesota & Ontario Powder Co.; George H. Mead of Dayton, O.; J. I. Carey of the International Brotherhood of Paper Makers; George W. Marble, representing Kansas publishers; David Lindsey, Jr., of the Philadelphia Paper Trade association, and William C. Ridgeway of the National Paper Trade association.

TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM

PARIS, Dec. 11.—Albert Claveille, who three weeks ago was appointed director-general of transports and importations, is taking hold of the French transportation problem with energy. On becoming aware that five hundred barges of coal destined for Paris were tied up at Rouen and that twenty or more Seine passenger steamers were idle at the Paris wharves, he requisitioned the steamers and set them to work towing the barges.

REDUCTION IN SIZE OF OUR COTTON CROP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Further reduction in the estimated size of this year's cotton crop was recorded today in the department of agriculture's final report putting the production at 11,511,000 equivalent 500-pound bales, exclusive of linters.

That is 126,000 bales less than forecast after the last condition report in October.

Indications at the beginning of the growing season were that a crop of approximately 14,286,000 bales would be produced but storms and insects wrought havoc with the growing plants as the season progressed. The acreage planted was the fourth greatest on record.

The average price per pound paid to producers of cotton on Dec. 1 was 19.6c. At that price the season's crop is worth $1,079,351,616 exclusive of the value of linter cotton and seeds.

WILD SELLING MOVEMENTS

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—One of the most wildly selling movements in the history of the cotton market followed the publication of the government crop estimate here today. There had been heavy liquidation before the report was published and when the official figures of the yield were received the market was ruling around 18.90 for March, which represented a decline of nearly $12 a bale from the high record established just before Thanksgiving.

It seemed, however, that many traders had remained long of the market in the hope that today's estimate would inspire bulls with renewed confidence and the official indication of 11,511,000 bales was evidently a disappointment from that standpoint. At any rate there was a rush of selling from all directions and prices broke about a cent a pound within five minutes.

Within less than 20 minutes after the report was published March contracts sold at 17.50, or 162 points below the high level of the morning and nearly four cents a pound under the recent high record.

BOSTON YOUNG MAN UNDER ARREST

Maurice Friedman, aged about 20 years and giving his residence as Boston, was arrested this afternoon by Inspector Thomas McCloughry on a warrant charging him with the larceny of $1.50 in money, 50 cents each from three different people.

According to the police Friedman is connected with a so-called suit club. People of this city were asked to contribute 50 cents a week and each week there would be a drawing for a suit of clothes, valued at $25.00. When the required number of people were in the club a drawing would be held and the person who drew number one would receive the first suit of clothes which would cost him but 50 cents. The person who drew number two would get the second suit of clothes which would cost him but $1.00 and so on. The person who drew number 50 would pay 50 cents for 50 weeks or $25, the alleged price of the suit.

According to the police there is something in connection with the transaction which is illegal. Friedman will appear before Judge Enright in police court tomorrow morning.

INAUGURATION OF WILSON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Official announcement was made today of the appointment of Robert N. Harper, a local bank president as chairman of the inaugural committee having charge of the ceremonies March 4 in connection with the reinstallation of President Wilson.

JOHNNY KILBANE SEEMS ANXIOUS TO MEET FREDDIE WELSH



CLEVELAND, Dec. 9.—Although Johnny Kilbane has posted a forfeit of $5,000 to bind a match with Freddie Welsh, the former's demand that the lightweight champion make 133 pounds ringside makes the affair look like an advertising scheme on the part of the featherweight title holder. Kilbane is too well acquainted with ring secrets not to be aware that 133 pounds ringside is an impossible figure for Welsh. Kilbane is only talking for effect as long as he maintains his present stand on the weight question. There would be no merit in beating Welsh if he were compelled to melt himself down to a mere shadow and there is not a chance of him being foolish enough to do it, so that Kilbane may as well get down to business at once or confess that he is not as ambitious as he would have it believed. If Welsh were a heavy hitter the weight might make a great deal of difference, but as matters stand the match is fair enough if made at catch weights. Kilbane is the heavier hitter, is faster and not so very badly handicapped in height and reach. As it would be nothing more than a boxing match speed would count for more than weight, and the heavier Welsh came in the slower he would be. Of course if Welsh could be induced to weaken himself by making weight it would be a great deal easier for Kilbane and the latter might score a knockout in that case. But Welsh is altogether too shrewd to be caught napping in arranging the conditions of a match. He is not in need of money, and it is not up to him to challenge a man in a class below him. If Kilbane wants the match it is up to him to make concessions, not Welsh, who has little to gain and much to lose. Photo shows Kilbane in fighting pose.

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MUSTEROLE

ANOTHER "DEUTSCHLAND" COMING TO THE U.S.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—A third merchant submarine for the trans-Atlantic service now is under construction in Germany. Advices received here from Berlin say names for the vessel and her sister ship designed to replace the lost Bremen have not yet been selected. It is said the merchant fleet, composed of the two new boats and the Deutschland, will be ready to travel on regular schedule between the United States and Germany late in the spring. In the same sources it is considered improbable that the Deutschland will start on her third voyage to this country until the winter weather on the Atlantic moderates.

Perfection of minor details is all that is lacking for the establishment of a submarine mail service with Germany. The owners of the submersibles have offered to transport first class letter mails and the postoffice department has expressed itself as being ready to make a contract. Agents of the submarine line, however, have made several suggestions regarding the service which as yet have not been adopted. Among other things the agents want to be assured that no explosives can be slipped into the mail packages.

OPPRESSED NATIONALITIES

Many Leaders of Foreign Born Populations in United States Attend Big Meeting

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Many leaders of foreign born populations in the United States attended here today the conference of oppressed or dependent nationalities, called by Miss Jane Addams and other women peace advocates. Representatives of each nationality explained the hopes of their people for independence.

Those represented at today's session were: Serbians, Albanians, Armenians, Syrians, Russian Jews, Letts, Lithuanians, Poles, Ukranians, Slovaks, Bohemians and Finns.

The Rev. Fan S. Noli, of Boston, representing the Pan-Albanian federation, made a plea for the oppressed nations.

The speaker, to give force to his assertion that neither set of the European belligerents will be crushingly defeated, quoted Bismarck as having said in a discussion of the outcome of war between England and Germany: "England is a whale and Germany is a horse. How do you expect a whale to beat a horse? Or how to you expect a horse to beat a whale?"

Speaking in behalf of the Armenians, Miran Sevasly, of the Armenian national defense union of America detailed the sufferings of his people and urged the conference to work to restore to the small nationalities of Europe some of their last heritage. He vigorously assailed the Turks for "butcheries, massacres, deportations and exposing the remnants of the Armenian race to annihilation and extinction."

The speaker said that the best information obtainable made it doubtful whether 750,000 Armenians out of the 2,500,000 existing before the war had survived the persecutions to which they had been subjected.

Mrs. Layyah Barahat of Philadelphia made a plea for the Syrians and described the persecutions to which she said they had been subjected.

JAMES BURNHAM IS ON DANGEROUS LIST

James Burnham of 155 Market st. was taken in the ambulance to St. John's hospital this afternoon suffering from injuries to his chest and ribs sustained in an accident at the Avery Chemical Co. It i understood that the man was lifting machinery and it dropped on his chest. It is feared that a lung is punctured and several ribs fractured. His named was placed on the dangerous list.

2473 FALL VICTIMS OF OWN COUNTRYMEN

BERLIN, Dec. 11, by wireless to Sayville—Of the native civilian population in the French and Belgium districts occupied by the Germans, ten men, 12 women and seven children were killed in the month of November by artillery fire or bombs dropped by airplanes of the entente allies, according to the Overseas News agency. In the same month forty men and 32 children were wounded. Thus the number of victims of their own countrymen, the news agency says, has been increased to 2473 since September.

YALE GRADUATES

Trend of Last 12 Years Has Been to the Industrial and Commercial Pursuits

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 11.—The trend among Yale graduates of the last 12 years has been more to the industrial and commercial pursuits, that is manufacturing, finance, mercantile, business and engineering, than to the professions, including law, the ministry, education and medicine, according to figures given in the directory of living graduates of the university just issued.

In 1904 the number of men in the professions is given as 6937 and in 1916 as 8571, a gain of 24 per cent. In 1904 the number engaged in industrial and commercial pursuits is given as 4055 and in 1916 as 8169, a gain of 99 per cent.

In the professions the increase in 12 years is a minimum of 10 per cent in the ministry and a maximum in law of 28 per cent. In the industrials the minimum is 80 per cent, in mercantile business and the maximum 160 per cent in engineering.

INCREASE FOR 200

WINSTED, Conn., Dec. 11.—The New England Knitting Co. today announced a 10 per cent. increase in wages to its 200 employes, effective January 1. The high cost of living is given as the reason for the increase.

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SECOND FLOOR

SECOND WEEK OF TRIAL OF ALLEGED PLOTTERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—Letters and original copies of telegrams alleged to have been written by some of the defendants in the case of Franz Bopp, German consul general here, and six others charged with having violated the neutrality of the United States by conspiring to destroy commerce and munitions of the entente allies, were ready to be presented by the government today at the opening of the second week of the trial.

Federal prosecutors said they hoped by the admission of the communications to prove that orders for the destruction of bridges and tunnels in Canada and the explosion of a dynamite barge in Seattle harbor last year emanated from German consular officials here.

Louis Smith, a defendant in the case, who is said to have revealed details of the conspiracy to government agents, and C. C. Crowley, a detective, are the two men the government alleges attempted to carry out the conspiracy of hampering traffic in munitions consigned to the entente allies. Smith has since become the government's chief witness. When the government placed him on the stand last Thursday the defence protested that Smith was a felon, convicted by court martial of offences committed in the army and that he served a term in Leavenworth prison. The admissibility of Smith's testimony is to be decided today by Judge Hunt. In the meantime papers restoring Smith to citizenship have been forwarded from Washington. The restoration papers, it was said, will in effect operate as a presidential pardon and qualify Smith as a witness.

BOY MURDERER MUST DIE

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Gov. Whitman declined today to interfere with the execution of the death sentence imposed on Stanley J. Millstein, an 18-year-old boy of Utica, convicted of the murder of Policeman John E. Creek at Utica, last February. Millstein shot Creed when the officer arrested him for burglary. He made his escaped and joined the United States army, but was apprehended later. He is under sentence to die the week of Dec. 18.

WAR CUTS SPINACH CROPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—War has reduced the spinach crop. Reports to the department of agriculture from the Norfolk district of Virginia say that Holland's embargo forbidding exports of spinach seed has caused a decrease in acreage this year. It is estimated the crop will amount to 550,000 or 600,000 barrels compared with 786,826 last year.

40 BRITISH MUNITIONS EXPERTS REACH N. Y.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Forty young men selected by the British government as munitions experts, arrived here today, on the steamship Orduna from Liverpool. They will be assigned to the various factories in the United States and Canada, where munitions for the entente governments are being manufactured under contract, and will pass on the output before it is delivered for shipment.

GERMAN REPLY TO SWISS NOTE ON DEPORTATIONS

PARIS, Dec. 11.—Germany's reply to the Swiss note regarding the deportations in Belgium has been received, according to information from Berne. It is most politely worded, the despatches say, but nevertheless, makes it clearly understood that Switzerland has no ground for interfering with events in Belgium unless her own interests are affected.

RADICAL SOLUTION OF GREEK PROBLEM

LONDON, Dec. 11, 6.22 p. m.—The foreign office today stated that the British government was consulting with Great Britain's allies in an effort to reach a very radical solution of the Greek problem.

FRANCIS JACKSON GARRISON DEAD

NEWTON, Dec. 11.—Francis Jackson Garrison, son of the late abolitionist, William Lloyd Garrison, and himself prominently identified in efforts to advance the welfare of the negro race, died at his home here today. He was 68 years old and the author of several books, including a biography of his father.

SALARY FOR EVANGELISTS

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 11.—A salary basis for evangelists instead of the present system of "part salary, part subscription systematically solicited, and part free will offering" is urged by the commission on evangelism of the federal council of churches submitted to the quadrennial convention of the council at its final session here today.

FIRE FOLLOWS EXPLOSION IN QUAKER OATS PLANT EIGHT LIVES LOST

PETERBORO, Ont., Dec. 11—An explosion and fire today destroyed the Quaker Oats buildings here with an estimated loss of eight lives and injuries to ten other persons, all employes, and with property damage to about $1,000,000.

A dozen or more other employes are in hospitals suffering with burns and injuries. It is supposed that the explosion occurred in the dry room and that it was caused by spontaneous conbustion.

A strong wind fanned the flames and within 20 minutes every wall had tumbled in ruins and a number of grain elevators were wrecked. Eighteen of the elevators were saved.

Houses in the vicinity of the plant caught fire and the city's court house, where the flames are still burning apparently beyond control, already has been badly damaged and seems doomed. The persons injured include part of the 200 girls and women who were employed in the packing department. Some of them fainted and their clothing caught fire before they were rescued.

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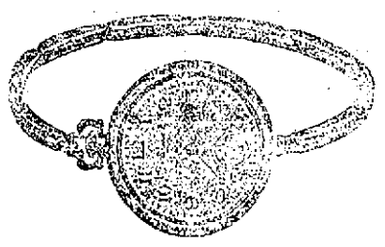
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DUTCH APPEAL TO SAVE BELGIANS

Only Americans Can Stop Ghastly Suffering on Deportation

Holland Section of League of Neutral States Sends Appeal

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Associated Press has received from Amsterdam an "appeal to the American people" by the Holland section of the League of Neutral States. The appeal is signed by Pres. Niemeyer and Secs. Delafaille and Walch. It follows:

"Your president has said that sooner or later a moment would come when the war would make the position of neutral nations unbearable. For us Hollanders that moment has arrived; not through our own sufferings, but because we cannot longer passively contemplate the ghastly suffering inflicted by Germany upon Belgium, our neighbor.

"Indeed, one must turn to the history of the early ages of long past centuries before international treaties existed to find a parallel to the enslaving of the Belgians. The Hague regulations stipulate that 'the honor and rights of the family must be respected,' but the German government deliberately drags the Belgian families apart.

"To us this cruelty is more vivid every day. Every day numbers of fugitives, in spite of the deadly electric wire which the Germans have erected along the frontier, succeed in escaping to The Netherlands. From them we learn the painful details of the unutterable despair of the women and children who are left behind, and of the agonizing scenes which take place when husbands, brothers and sons, dragged from their homes and womenfolk, are packed into cattle and freight cars and thus transported, slaves, to an unknown destination and to an unknown fate.

"To put an end to this—to arrest this hellish scourge, which at this moment lacerates the whole of northern France and western Russia—there is but one way open, and that is collective action on the part of the neutral nations.

"And for you, citizens of the mightiest of the neutral states, it is, in our opinion, the right and duty to take the leadership upon you. Only if you place yourselves at our head can any success crown our efforts.

"This tyranny is not to be borne in patience, and the neutral nations can no longer stand idly by while in western Europe the most primitive laws of humanity, observed even by uncivilized races are trampled under foot.

"We appeal to you to urge your government to energetic and decisive action and to call upon the other neutral nations to rally around you. That they will find faith and strength in your leadership is evidenced by the stream of messages expressive of sympathy and a desire to co-operate which have reached us from the moment we published our intention to make this appeal to the American people.

"We do not hesitate to take it upon ourselves to speak with firm conviction in the name of humanity, and our hope is firmly fixed on that sense of justice which has always formed one of the most cherished traditions of citizens of the United States.

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CITIES VOTING NO-LICENSE

No Delivery of Liquor In Dry Territory Under New Law

License Vote for 1915 of Cities Holding Elections Today

In cities voting no-license, to take effect May 1, of next year, the new law approved by Gov. McCall, May 2, this year, regulating the transportation and delivery of intoxicating liquors will became operative. The law is as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. No person, firm or corporation holding a license of any of the first five classes for the sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors shall transport such liquors into, for delivery in, or deliver such liquors in, a city or town in which licenses of the five classes for the sale of intoxicating liquors are not granted.

Section 2. Whoever violates the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than two hundred dollars for each offence, and upon conviction his license shall become null and void.

This is the only law there is on the subject although dealers and lawyers say that there is some doubt as to just what it means.

There was a similar law passed by the legislature a year ago, but doubt existed as to whether or not the railroads and express companies, under the phraseology of the act would not be liable if they transported liquor "through" dry territory, although the seller and the consignee might both do business in wet territory.

Attorney General Attwill, at that time, was asked to rule on the matter, but he rendered an opinion that the act would not prohibit such shipments, "but that the courts might rule differently." In the circumstances Governor Walsh vetoed the bill and the legislature sustained his vote.

That was the end of the matter until it was presented to the legislature last winter, when it was enacted and is now the law of the state.

License Vote for 1915

The following is the license vote in 1915 in the Massachusetts cities which hold elections today:

	Yes	No
Attleboro, N	691	1276
Beverly, N	884	1865
Chelsea, L	3035	2098
Chicopee, L	1730	1279
Everett, N	1154	3246
Lawrence, L	6089	4844
Lowell, L	7503	6031
Lynn, N	7226	8251
Malden, N	1813	4280
Medford, N	969	2697
Melrose, N	369	1629
Newburyport, N	1336	1493
Newton, N	1399	2760
Revere, N	1462	1446
Somerville, N	1570	5019
Woburn, N	1246	1760
Worcester, L	12,143	9404

DIVIDEND OF 100 PER CENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—An extra dividend of 100 per cent on the common stock was declared today by the E. W. Bliss Co., together with the usual quarterly disbursements on the common and preferred stock. The company is extensively engaged in the manufacture of war munitions.

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IRON POST INTERFERED WITH JOY RIDE

A Buick roadster, the property of Charles S. Proctor of 153 Hovey street, was stolen from in front of the house of Larkin Trull in Fairmount street last night. It is said that three young men entered the machine and one operated it through Fairmount street and upon turning from Wyman into Nesmith street the car was going at such a speed that the driver lost control and the automobile crashed into an iron post. The spokes of one of the wheels were knocked out and a mudguard and spring broken.

The matter was reported to the police and Sergt. David Petrie was assigned to investigate the case. He managed to secure a good description of the trio and it is felt that they will soon be brought before the police and asked to give some reason for their little joy ride.

ELECT OFFICERS

Th regular meeting of the General Adelbert Ames camp 19, U.S.W.V., was held in the aldermanic chamber at city hall last evening. There was a large attendance and Commander Mitchell presided. The camp voted that a letter of appreciation be sent to Sergt. Thomas Camp of Haverhill, thanking them for the hospitality shown Lowell men in Haverhill last Friday. The following officers for the year were elected: Commander, Bert W. Chandler; senior vice commander, Judson A. Phillips; junior vice commander, James F. Crowley; officer of the day, James Clancy; officer of the guard, Frederick A. Cheney; trustee for three years, Alex D. Mitchell; delegates to department convention, William A. Prescott, Colby T. Kittredge and Thos. W. F. Babley; alternates, Carl H. Lambert, P. Henry Driscoll, Thomas F. Conniff. It was voted to hold the next regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 26, on account of Monday, the 25th, being Christmas day.

A large delegation from Gen. Adelbert Ames camp will attend the department banquet to be held in Boston on Feb. 22, 1917, also the governor's reception in the Hall of Flags at the state house on the same day.

A good sized delegation of members of the camp and also from Edith Prescott Wolcott auxiliary went to Haverhill last Friday evening to attend the fair and dance conducted by Sergt. Fred Thomas camp of that city. A special car took the party from this city at 6.10 p. m. and returned at 11.45 o'clock. The evening was much enjoyed by the Lowell delegation.

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AMUSEMENT NOTES

KEITH'S THEATRE

"The best show ever" was the consensus of opinion of those who attended the performance at the B. F. Keith theatre yesterday afternoon and evening. The diversity of acts is something out of the ordinary and the selection this week is one of rare excellence.

The headline act is Beatrice Morelle's grand opera sextet in "A Study of Royal Blue." There are six beautifully costumed women in the act, the stage settings beggar description and the singing and instrumental music are entrancing as well as entertaining. Miss Morelle is a contralto, whose sweet voice both in solo and quartet singing is par excellence. Madame Louise Arnolda is gifted with a soprano voice which is second to none heard in this city for years. Miss Genevieve Joy also a soprano keeps the audience spellbound while singing. Miss Annette Ford as first also sings songs that appeal to the audience. The other members of the sextet are Miss Grace Livingston, violinist and Miss Alice Ess, harpist. Both these young women are very clever and give several numbers on their instruments in solo and also accompany the singers.

While the singing and music is excellent the costumes worn by the members of the company are of royal blue and during the course of the act the outer garments are removed and the women appear in evening dress which are of a rare quality.

If a good hearty laugh will affect you it would be better to leave the theatre before Thomas Dugan and Babette Raymond appear on the stage for from the time the former makes his appearance in a ——— car, it is a case of laugh until the drop goes down on their act. We have seen many automobile skits and have heard the same old jokes over and over again, but when it comes to originality give Dugan and Miss Raymond the "o-o" and die laughing.

The automobile used is of the vest pocket size but large enough to hold a loving paid. Although Tom is supposed to understand the mechanism of the machine he admits that it was wished upon him and he is not to blame for what it does. In fact at times it becomes very animated and almost human. Naturally you think it is one of the popular makes of cars which everyone on the stage talks about. Well to tell the truth if you look at its head it does remind you of the automobile you are thinking of, but that peculiar hood is divided that in fact the machine itself can be taken apart in a very short time.

The "plot" of the piece is an anxious lover and a beautiful maiden. They decide to elope. He arrives in his "one-man-power" machine and after "whisking" and failing to arouse the happiness of his life he throws a pebble through a window, then gets a ladder and after she is assured that everything is all right below she descends the ladder and they start off in the machine. That is they climb into the auto, but while it "auto go" there is something wrong with the mechanism and while trying to locate the trouble the pair rattle off a bunch of talk which is highly entertaining. It is all new stuff and scattered in such a manner as to result in repeated curtain calls.

Nate Coe, Emily Russell and Frank Davis appear in a comedy skit entitled "Waiters Wanted." Don't men it in public, but Nate and Frank served many years in jail and while they are not proud of it, they are rather sensitive. They have the lockstep down pretty fine and they are familiar with the stripes, but say, when it comes to stripes, just give a glance at Emily's black and white skirt. When she is standing still from her waist line to midway between the ankles and knees there is a black cloud, but when she is in action the blending of the black and white make a person wonder whether or not she is doing to transformation act. The trio have an original line of talk and they can sing also.

Wilfred Berrick and Lily Dean Hart appear in an original reel-astic comedy movie skit. They have appeared here before, but they are always welcome visitors for they are entertainers in every sense of the word. Despite the fact that it is not their first appearance on the local boards there is one thing that can be said they never produce the same sketch twice in one city. Their act is a clever one, Mr. Berrick being a good singer, while Miss Hart is a graceful dancer.

Stuart Darrow is with us again. He does a finger, shadow and sand act, which is novel and highly entertaining. The Xylo maids in a xylophonistic diversity are excellent entertainers. They are attired in musical costumes and rattle the xylophones until a person would think their arms would drop off. They change from the popular songs to grand opera and vice versa with apparent ease.

Last but no means least is the act of the Helen Leach Wallen trio, the original iron jaw wire sensational artists. Two of the women in the act hold the wires used with their teeth while the third woman performs all kinds of slack wire stunts and winds up with a whirling performance, the like of which has never been seen in this city before.

If your want to see one good show don't miss the performance at Keith's. Performances will be held every afternoon and evening during the remainder of the week.

ROYAL THEATRE

Pearl is coming! Maybe some of you know already who and what she will appear in, but for a little fun we will not just yet disclose [illegible] until next Friday. So watch the dailies until then, we promise [illegible] "Today's" show at the [illegible] some great pictures, among them [illegible] in the great Metro [illegible] "The Gates of Eden," a novel play dealing with the beliefs of a young girl in a religious sect and the difficulties with which he was beset. The play was written by a clergyman, and the supporting cast connected with Mr. Dana is one of the most noted ever put together. "Dante's Inferno," a two-reel version of the old classic and a Kalem railroad two-reel drama and others furnish a fine three hour show of unusual excellence.

JEWEL THEATRE

Sam Cohen and his amateurs will hold their weekly tryout at the Jewel theatre. He has gathered a feast for the [illegible] crowd that will fill the house tonight. [illegible] and Genevieve Hamper will also be seen in "The Spider and the Fly," a great drama of [illegible] underworld, staged and [illegible] with wonderful dramatic power. Other pictures shown.

OWL THEATRE

[illegible] Winifred Greenwood and Franklin Ritchie will also be seen at the Owl today in the new Mutual [illegible] "The Reclamation," [illegible] Other excellent attractions will also be presented at the Owl today.



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OTHER FEATURES

MERRIMACK Square Theatre

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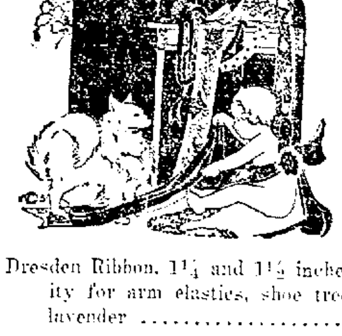
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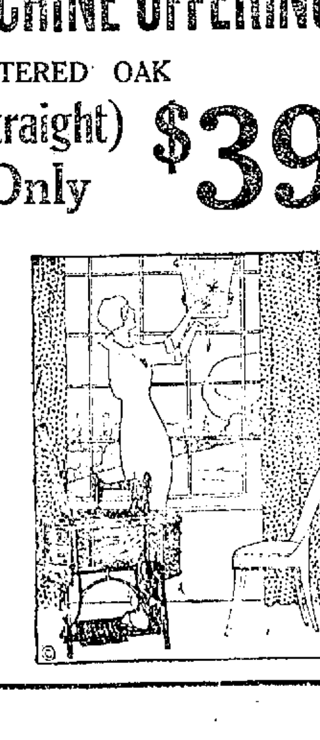
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The proprietors who are erecting these structures in the face of the present high cost of building material, show praiseworthy enterprise which will doubtless bring its reward. They show that they are not pessimists. They believe that our prosperity is here to stay and they are willing to take whatever risk of dull business the future may bring.

The real estate market which had been very dull during the past few years shows much activity and the improvement is felt at all points. Lowell is being prepared for a long period of steady prosperity despite the pessimistic views of men who think that the end of the war will see the end of good times. There is no justification for the calamity howl in the present situation. Whether Lowell maintains her prosperity or funks and goes backward depends entirely upon the spirit of enterprise, the tact and courage of her citizens. The watchword should be onward.

COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE

In his annual report Major General Scott, chief of staff of the U. S. army, declares that the volunteer military system has been demonstrated an utter failure. This statement is based upon the experience on the Mexican border. He states that the training period of 75 days in three years provided by the new national defense act is wholly inadequate. Soldiers so trained, he claims, would be unfit until they had at least six months' experience in actual war. He insists that it takes a year's training at least to make a soldier, although any time spent in excess of that period might also be used to advantage.

But it is principally to the difficulty of getting recruits that General Scott directs the force of his appeal. He shows that in eleven states with 16,000 enrolled men at the time of the recent mobilization, 10 per cent failed to respond and 29 per cent of the remainder could not pass the physical examination. As a result the men who went to the border were 43 per cent raw recruits, and brought up to war strength, the force would have been 75 per cent green men useless for war for many months.

While 151,996 officers and men were mustered into the federal service under the recent call to the border and 110,957 actually were on the border, yet this force was 97,000 below war strength and over 4,000 below authorized minimum peace strength. This is certainly a rather discouraging showing and one that calls for serious consideration by the government as well as by the critics who feel that this country should plunge into war with Mexico on one side and at the same time take the risks of complications with European powers on the other.

War as waged today is a different proposition from what it was ten, twenty or fifty years ago. The engines of destruction are far more powerful and the death rate in battle probably ten times as great as ever before. To put this nation on a war basis, as that is understood in Europe, will certainly require compulsory military service. Whether we have reached the point at which that would be necessary, will remain an open question until the end of the war. If that struggle closes without a crushing defeat to Germany so that the national rivalries would still endure, then instead of universal peace, will follow only the prospect of future wars fully as terrible as the present. With such an outlook ahead the United States in order to defend itself against foreign aggression would be obliged to adopt military compulsion and train every young man to be a soldier.

It is to be hoped that such a military necessity will never come, but if it does we have only to meet it as the call of patriotism in defense of our liberties.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

While the country has issued the call for preparedness, while the government is building a big navy, preparing to equip a merchant marine and looking to expansion in every direction, there are still pessimistic notes heard at different points by people who in the midst of sunshine turn to look for ominous clouds on the horizon.

They cannot conceive the possibility that prosperity is here to stay, yet if the government policies of the present administration be carried out, there can be little doubt on that point.

Hon George W. Perkins is going through the country as a prophet of evils to come and his chief panacea is an amendment of the [illegible] law. That law may be amended but not quite to the point to which he would have it changed. In the opinion of Mr. Perkins the tariff must also be boosted in order to allow the cooperative trusts, as he terms them, to be re-established as they existed some years ago. This would mean a restoration of the republican regime. He will have to wait at least four years for that.

But the south is booming as never before on account of the high price of cotton. The factories there are taking full advantage of the situation and will soon offer more formidable competition to the New England mills. Here is where the test of our textile supremacy will come. Will the mills of Lowell and other New England cities be able to set at defiance this step forward by the southern factories? The latter have not reached the point at which they can compete on the finer fabrics but on the coarse they will show up stronger than ever. Our mills have to prepare for this possibility in addition to meeting such foreign competition as may come after the war.

There is altogether too much alarm over what will happen to us after the war. The thing that will be felt most of all will be the falling off in foreign orders in our textile, shoe and other factories. The munition factories have helped Lowell a great deal and henceforward they will have to slacken their pace, as England is now making practically all her own munitions. The chief orders now remaining are from Russia. But should these factories reduce their help to normal, the other factories will be able to accommodate most of the hands thus left idle. There is no justification for pessimism as to the future, either locally or otherwise. Business in the nation will continue to boom and while it does, Lowell need not worry, although it is wise always to prepare for any future emergency.

GEN. JOFFRE DISPLACED

France is also to have a small war council in line with that of England and General Joffre is to be succeeded in general command by General Petain, the defender of Verdun. Joffre may be retired but France can never show him too much honor for what he did to stay the advance of Germany and conserve the forces of the republic. No general was ever more careful of his men or more opposed to exposing them to frontal attacks where the chances of victory did not warrant such a step. But when attacked General Joffre was the most stubborn fighter, a fact demonstrated in many a hard fought battle. Much of the glory that has come to the French arms came as a result of the skill and strategy of General Joffre.

ENGLAND'S NEW CABINET

England starts on a new chapter of the war under entirely new management. There is room for improvement as showing more effective work in every department. Lloyd George has undertaken the Herculean task and will have the support of the nation. His cabinet has many men whose names are not very familiar in this country yet the general impression is, that he has gathered together a body of men who are qualified for their respective positions and may do good work once they get acquainted with the ropes.

Lloyd George himself has been reported ill. Should he collapse under the strain, England would be left in a very bad predicament.

DEPORTING THE BELGIANS

Germany explains the deportation of the Belgians as an act of benevolence for which they should be thankful. To furnish employment is the cause assigned. That benevolence is something the Belgians do not want. They have been robbed of their property and their industries have been closed. No wonder they are idle with their factories leveled and all their resources exhausted in meeting outrageous war imposts. Germany's policy, however disguised, is one of the most tyrannical enslavements.

THE MERRIMACK RIVER

The matter of making the Merrimack river navigable is not yet settled. The army engineers are still considering it. They should decide at once in favor of the proposition and let the work be started as soon as possible. There is no other river in the world that turns so many spindles. Why haggle so much over a job that has very much more merit than many of the river jobs that have been favorably acted upon?

President Wilson, it is said, will go west to see his friends next spring, that is if matters are not then so pressing as to hold him in Washington.

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39 MERRIMACK STREET

Seen and Heard

Now's the time to get married. The restaurants have boosted the prices on every little thing.

Last week we chanced to meet at two dances and three picture shows a girl who the previous week told us she "rarely went out evenings."

She Was Determined to Know

One of our lady subscribers (the Nantucket Inquirer and Mirror man is telling this) who says she "reads every word" in the paper each week on Friday evening last became mystified over the line "Changed 'em yet?" and when her curiosity could no longer be checked she rang up on the 'phone.

"I can't understand what that means," said she. "I've looked at all my calendar pads and they are all right: I've changed my desk pad; I've had my window screens taken off and my storm windows put on; I've thought and thought, but I can't understand what you mean."

Fortunately, the telephone could hide our blushes so, after screwing up sufficient courage, we queried in a subdued voice: "Well, have you put on your winter flannels yet?"

Something evidently broke loose on the other end of the line. "None of your business!" snapped through the 'phone and we could hear the lady's receiver go up with a bang.

She brought it on herself, anyway.

He Ought to Get an Auto

The young man who has a car at his disposal surely has a winning way with the modern maid. Listen to this tale of woe as related by the Chatterer of the Rockland Independent:

John was keeping company with a young lady in a nearby town. He called regularly every Sunday evening. On one of those big nights he was as usual making good with his inimitable line of humor when the front door bell rang. The young lady ran to answer it. Then John read the paper, inspected the family album, and studied the wall paper designs, but the girl did not return. Two hours later John concluded that it was time to make an investigation. In the hallway he reached for his overcoat but it was missing. The thermometer hovered around the zero mark but he was too hot to notice this. Sticking his hat over one ear he started for home. In the street a big auto pulled up and out jumped the girl. Over her shoulders was John's coat. Ed had knocked at the door, invited her for an auto ride and she had grabbed John's coat and accepted. "Can you beat that for nerve?" says John.

The Deer They Didn't Eat

One young married woman out north, who has a large circle of friends and a brother-in-law who went after deer during the week when the law was off, is slowly recovering from an attack of near heart failure, according to the Plymouth Town Crier. She returned from a trip to town the other day, and found a big bundle of deer meat which had been left at her house, and remembering that the brother-in-law had promised her some (if he got any) assumed that he had struck luck and made good on the promise. There was all she could lug into the pantry, and she immediately began, woman-like, to plan who she would share it with. The neighbors were all told that they were in on the division of the spoils and her "hubby" was called on the 'phone and told to get his facial hatch ready to hoist in cargo. "We've got an awful lot of deer meat." "You bet I will," answered her worser half, "and I'm some stevedore." Then the 'phone rang. Another voice said: "Say, T., did yer git that hunk er deer Henry sent down fer the house? Well, it's his and he wants yer ter keep it fer him. 'Slong." Hub by ate corned beef and the neighbors are still waiting and the young woman is slowly regaining consciousness.

Shoes Winner Over Hat

Have you noticed Postmaster Creedon's new hat? inquires the Middleboro Gazette. It is very becoming and it comes as a result of his faith that President Wilson would be re-elected. Not that he would bet, but merely an agreement that he would make another a present if Hughes were elected. These are the facts: A friend from Danbury, Conn., was here shortly before election and he and our postmaster were talking over the political situation. The visitor was a strong Hughes supporter and after some conversation made the following proposition: That if Wilson were elected he would send Mr. Creedon one of Danbury's product, a hat, while as Middleboro was a shoemaking community a pair of shoes made here would be sent him if he were on the right side. The day after election Mr. Creedon received a postcard, giving the dimensions of the shoes needed. But the following day came another, stating that there was no need of ordering the footwear, and that the bet would be forwarded in a few days. It arrived the past week, a handsome brown one, custom made, and now adorns the noble brow of the federal official.

How Like the Trees

I walked through the paths that led by ancient trees;
Some stood in groups and cities in a row;
Their bright green leaves were dancing in the breeze,
And o'er their limbs the sunshine poured its glow.

The happy birds were singing everywhere,
And building nests with all a mother's skill;
As bursting flowers sent forth upon the air
Their perfumed breath with whispers of good-will.

Later among the same tall trees I strolled,
And lo! the leaves, so beautifully green,
Were turned to red, or yellowed o'er with gold,
Which gave a matchless splendor to the scene.

Later once more I walked the trees among,
Chill [illegible] and frosts before me had been there;
And where the leaves had played, and birds had sung,
Their crooked limbs shone homely, brown and bare.

And then I mused, How like to trees are we
On life's down-hill, outward attractions flown;
To know as once we never again can be,
And we are left unrespected [illegible].

Thomas [illegible] Porter.

HIS HEART BADLY AFFECTED

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"For two years, I was a victim of Acute Indigestion and Gas In The Stomach. It afterwards *attacked my Heart* and I had pains all over my body, so that I could hardly move around. I tried all kinds of Medicine but none of them did me any good. At last, I decided to try "Fruit-a-tives". I bought the first box last June, and now I am well, *after using only three boxes*. I recommend "Fruit-a-tives" to anyone suffering from Indigestion".

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Says Health Was All Broken Down

Well Known Lowell Citizen Relates How His Health Was Restored By Plant Juice.

Just because you are not incapacitated from your business or pleasure, the warnings of stomach trouble should not go unheeded, or serious results are bound to follow. These warnings take the form of dyspepsia, indigestion, dizziness, nervousness, constipation, headache, backache, pains in the back or sides, that tired, run down feeling, and various other symptoms indicating a deranged stomach which can be restored to its normal condition by Plant Juice, the new herbal preparation. Under the influence of its general restorative effect, these distressing symptoms rapidly subside; it cleans up the liver, kidneys and bladder, and enables these organs to perform their proper functions, eliminates uric acid from the blood, which causes rheumatism, and brings back the flush of health to pale cheeks by enriching and purifying the blood.

Daily signed statements are received from well known local people testifying how they have been restored to health by Plant Juice. The following statement from Mr. Joseph Tarollo, who lives at No. 196 Lakeview Avenue, and is employed at the Lowell Bleachery, is especially convincing. He said:

"I have been troubled with severe pains in my stomach for the past eight years and could not digest my food. It fermented in my stomach and gas formed, and I had a burning and bloated feeling in the pit of my stomach, which gave me great pain every time I ate any food. I got so I dreaded to eat. I could not sleep at night and had a bad taste in my mouth in the morning and always felt tired on getting up and had no ambition or energy, in fact was entirely run down. I had tried many medicines but none of them seemed to help me, and when I read about Plant Juice in our home paper, I decided to try it. I can now honestly say that my stomach is greatly relieved, and I do not have that burning sensation any more. I sleep well and have no pains from gas. I feel better in the morning than I did, and am more than satisfied with Plant Juice."

The Plant Juice Man is at Dows, The Druggist's, in Merrimack Square, where he is daily meeting the local public, and introducing and explaining the merits of this remedy.

Do you ever have the "blues"?

That discouraged feeling often comes from a disordered stomach, or an inactive liver. Get your digestion in shape and the bile acting properly—then the "blues" will disappear. You will soon be cheerful, if you take

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the people's remedy for life's common ailments. They act thoroughly on the stomach, liver and bowels, and soon regulate and strengthen these important organs. Purely vegetable—contain no harmful drugs. Whenever you feel despondent a few doses will

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THE SUN IS ON SALE AT THE NORTH STATION BOSTON

TRYING TO FIND OUT WHY FOOD IS DEAR

Department of justice officials announced that chief activity in the government's nation wide investigation into the middle west, especial attention being paid to the activities of coal dealers in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Toledo and other cities.

George W. Anderson, United States district attorney for the Boston district, directs the inquiry. He will go



GEORGE W. ANDERSON

over information outlined for presentation to the federal grand jury in Chicago and probably will visit also Detroit, where another grand jury inquiry will be begun. Later he may go to St. Louis, Kansas City and Minneapolis.

After analyzing figures obtained from the department of agriculture officials conducting the inquiry say that one of the chief needs of the country is a better method of distribution of foodstuffs. The method followed at present, it is said, would fail in time of emergency. Indications are that this phase of the subject will be placed before the president.

They Do Say

That tonight's the night.

That there are some people no revival spasm can reach.

That the safest thing in the world is to keep away from a bar.

That when a man thinks he's handsome his barber generally knows it.

That human nature and women are profound studies.

That a brutal policeman is a thug in uniform.

That when you're in love 'tis no matter how plain the girl may be.

That there's a lot of things we'd like to do that somehow never come our way.

That a lot of wrinkles are due to the fact that we have not yet learned to forget.

That the poor we have always with us—especially poor excuses.

That only the survivors really believe in the survival of the fittest.

That the ambitious office boy doesn't think much of the clerk who looks up his or her typewriter.

That the jitney business is great in Lowell.

That many Lowell people visit the [illegible] in Nashua, N. H.

That the executive committee is taking unto itself some power.

That 45 pounds of apples constitute one peck, while it takes 15 pounds of potatoes for the same measure.

That the Lowell women are invited to attend the convention of the sealers of weights and measures [illegible] their own. [illegible] The affair will be held in Boston.

That the extra penny on the Pelham line is causing the conductors a lot of trouble.

That the price of turkey will drop for Christmas.

That the women are beginning to watch the thermometer.

That even the price of soap has advanced.

That Marty will make a good basketball team manager.

That Saturday was the only gloomy football day of the year in Haverhill.

That it is all over but the cheering.

That out-of-town roller skaters who have aspirations of becoming champions had better keep away from Lowell.

That some of the boys are looking for those cigarets. Where are they, [illegible]?

That the funeral of the late Charles H. Molloy was one of the largest ever held in this city.

That the voters and especially the candidates for office are on the anxious seat at this time.

That there is one type of fellow who has been so busy collecting the records of men who have made money that he has had no time to make some for himself.

That there will be an ambitious class of [illegible] writers at high school tomorrow evening.

That no one is to be envied for having a heavy mail the first of the month.

That Charley Molloy will be remembered for many a secret charity that only the beneficiaries know.

That a man is apt to describe his own faults in talking about his neighbors.

That whether it's license or no-license the laws ought to be enforced.

That the Russian army keeps both wings intact, ready for instant flight.

That the czar was at the opera and the sardine was in a box.

That everybody likes mild winter weather except the coalmen.

That the Rumanians do not seem to suffer from rheumatism.

That there were a number of fools made on the license question.

That some police officers use undue force in making arrests.

That some of the jitney drivers should be prosecuted for overspeeding.

That the office boy will make a good president.

That the postman is wishing that Christmas was over.

That one South street woman didn't lose her head when a fire broke out.

That a good basketball team would prove attractive to local sporting fans.

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Heavy all wool robes for the automobile, attractive patterns **$6.75**

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Morocco or Suede leather—lined with satin, **$1.00 and $1.50**

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WALSH SAYS INTERESTS CONTROL LEGISLATURE

FORMER GOVERNOR URGES ADOPTION OF INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM AS REMEDY

ATTLEBORO, Dec. 12.—Former Gov Walsh in an address delivered here last night criticised the state legislature which, he said, was dominated and controlled by outside financial interests. He advocated the adoption of initiative and referendum, and declared that the form of the ballot by which the state voted last month to return to party enrollment, was calculated and intended to deceive the voters.

"My bitterest experience as governor was to see the extent to which men in the legislature are dominated and controlled by men outside and by financial interests," he said. "I strongly advocate the initiative and referendum. Every man who has run a lobby at the state house is against it, because it means the ending of his business. That very fact ought to recommend it. If your legislature is false and disloyal you ought to have the right to appeal to the supreme court."

The former governor then presented arguments in favor of doing away with the election of congressmen by districts, saying that the 16 representatives should be chosen from the state at large. He stated that he was opposed to the recall of judges and judicial decisions, saying that the judges were the conscience of the state. He also opposed the election of a president by the electoral college.

"I am in favor of a system which will make the northeast corner of Maine count as much as the southeast corner of Texas or any doubtful state. I believe in the popular election of presidents of the United States. I also believe there should be a law to disfranchise a man who fails to vote for two years in succession.

"The man who does not cast his ballot on election day is no different from the man who runs behind a tree when his country needs his defence."

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FUNERALS

SANDERSON—The funeral services of Julia L. Sanderson were held at the home of her niece, Mrs. Forrest F. Hyde, 86 Bartlett street yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. Alfred C. Skinner, D.D., pastor of St. Paul's M.E. church. The body was taken to Saco, Me., for burial. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

EMERSON—The funeral of Frank Waldo Emerson was held from his home, 21 Bellevue street yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. James Bancroft, rector of St. John's Episcopal church. The Masonic committal service was exemplified at the grave by the following named officers, assisted by members of Pentucket lodge, A.F. and A.M.: W. M. Edson, K. Humphrey, Chaplain Rev. James Bancroft. The bearers were Messrs. William H. Penn, George T. Frye, George V. Gregg and Louis Alexander, all members of Pentucket lodge. Appropriate selections were sung by Messrs. George E. Burns, Charles G. Martin, Edward R. Wirt and Harry Priestly of the American quartet. Burial was in the family lot in the Lowell cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Bancroft. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

ELLIS—The funeral of Mrs. Martha Ellis was held from the residence of her son, J. Edward Ellis, 84 Center street, Methuen, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Services were conducted by Mrs. Whitehead, reader. The pallbearers were: Ben Armstead, Mr. Goddard, Thomas Ellis of Lowell and Mr. Hemlett. Burial was in Bellevue cemetery.

The floral tributes follow:

Large pillow, inscribed "Mother," from Ellis family; large basket inscribed "Grandma," from grandchildren; spray of chrysanthemums from Spiritualist church; spray of chrysanthemums from O'Brien family, sprays from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Walsh, Mrs. Whitehead, Mr. and Mrs. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hanson, Kate Collins and Katherine Kelley, Mrs. Harvey of Lowell, Mrs. Reed of Lowell, spray of white roses, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Sullivan.

SHEA—The funeral of Mrs. Julia E. Shea took place this morning from her home, 24 First street, at 8:15 o'clock and was largely attended. The cortege proceeded to St. Michael's church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Francis Mullen. The choir sang the Gregorian mass, Miss Margaret Griffin and Mr. Thomas F. Boulger sustaining the solos. Miss Ella Riley presided at the organ. Among the floral tributes were the following: Large wreath, from husband; large spray, from Nellie and Mary, sisters of deceased; spray from Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Tully. The bearers were John M., John J., and George Shea, Joseph F. Tully, William Doyle and Henry Williams. Interment was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Rev. Francis J. Mullen read the committal prayers. Undertaker P. H. Savage in charge of funeral arrangements.

DAY—The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Day took place this morning at 8:30 o'clock from the home of her son, John Day, 15 Auburn street, and was largely attended. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan. The choir sang the Gregorian mass, Miss Gertrude Keleher and Mr. James E. Donnelly sustaining the solos. Miss Lulu Ginty presided at the organ. Among the floral offerings were a pillow inscribed, "Mother," from Mr. and Mrs. John Day; cross on base inscribed, "Good-bye, Ma," Mr. and Mrs. James E. Day; wreath on base, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Day; cross on base inscribed, "Grandma," Madeline, Mary and Rita; wreath on base, Mr. Fred H. Rourke; spray, the Carroll family; pillow inscribed, "At Rest," the boys; spray, Miss May O'Brien and Mrs. Harry Ogden; spray, Mrs. Johnson and Miss Ambrose; spray, the Draper family; spray, Mr. John Gilbride; spray, Mr. and Mrs. James Mountford; mound, Mary Carroll and Edward Barrington; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rafferty; sheaf of wheat, Mrs. O'Dea; spray, Mr. Geo. Tyrrell; wreath, a friend and a sheaf of wheat, a friend; spiritual offerings, Mr. and Mrs. Moran, Katherine Kenny, Mary Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. McCleary, Mrs. Thomas Purcell, Mr. and Mrs. Slattery, Mrs. Chase. The bearers were Fred H. Rourke, Patrick Nestor, Michael Rogers and John Russell. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the final prayers were read by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan under the direction of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

ARCHIBALD—The funeral of John H. Archibald took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the home of his parents, John and Margaret T. (Sands) Archibald, 168 South street. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

McGINN—The funeral of Hugh McGinn took place this morning at 9:15 o'clock from the rooms of Undertaker J. H. McDermott and was largely attended by relatives and friends. At St. Peter's church a funeral mass was celebrated at 9:45 o'clock by Rev. Patrick Crayton. The choir sang the Gregorian chant and during the service solos were sung by the members of the choir. Among the many beautiful flowers were the following: Pillow inscribed "Uncle" from the nephews, Fred Giles of East Boston and William Giles of Lawrence; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Bradley. The bearers were Patrick McGlinchey, J. Doyle, T. Simmiton, D. McGlinchey, S. Kelly and W. Pearsons. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Patrick Crayton. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker James H. McDermott.

DUNN—The funeral of Bernadette Dunn took place this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from the home of the parents, 7 Western avenue. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

GRENIER—The funeral of Wilfrid Grenier took place this morning from his home, 35 Clark street. Solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Jean Baptiste church at 9 o'clock by Rev. Dr. J. H. Racette, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. Augustin Graton, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. Louis Bachand, O.M.I., as subdeacon. The bearers were Morrill Lebeux, Arthur Duquette, Henri Hamilton, Edouard Trudel, Henri Doucette and Edouard Vincent. The delegation from Carillon council, C. S. J. Bte. d'A., consisted of the following: Joseph Courcy, Maxime Mainville, George Labranche and Alfred Germain. The Fixers' union was represented by Alfred Savard, H. Lussier, W. Paquette and E. Levasseur. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Joseph Bolduc, O.M.I. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

FUNERAL NOTICES

BRENNAN—The funeral of Mary A. Brennan will take place Wednesday morning from the home of her brother, Peter J. McLoughlin, 172 Enroll street at 8 o'clock. High mass of requiem at the Immaculate Conception church at 9 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker P. H. Savage in charge of funeral arrangements.

GARLAND—Died suddenly at his home, 2017 Glenwood road, Brooklyn, N. Y., Charles H. Garland, aged 73 years, 4 months, 4 days. Funeral services will be held at the chapel in the Edson cemetery Wednesday at 3 p. m., in charge of J. A. Weinbeck.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

HERE'S INTERESTING NEWS

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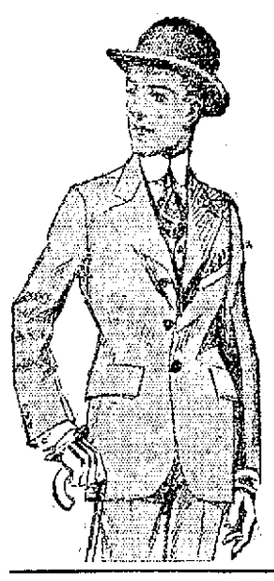
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Ladies' Coats. Values up to $30.00.....$25.00
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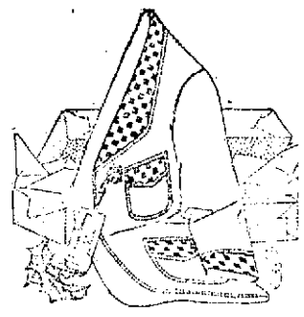
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Always an acceptable gift. Regular $5.00 value. Preparedness price **$3.75**

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THOUSANDS OF MEN'S FINE SHIRTS To Select From

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Values $1.50 and $2.00. Preparedness price—
$1.20
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Over 5000 Men's New Ties to select from at 25c, 50c, 65c and up to $2

WOOL SHAKER SWEATERS

A $5.00 value. Preparedness price—
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FINE WORSTED SWEATERS

All colors and sizes. Value $3.00. Preparedness price—
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BOYS' MACKINAWS

Values up to $7.50.....$6.00
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Exceptional Values in

MEN'S OVERCOATS

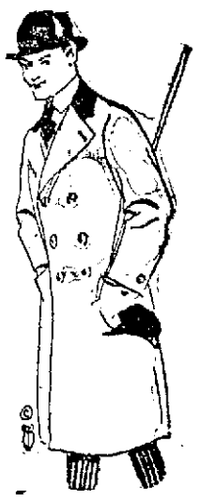
Over 300 coats to choose from in black kerseys, gray viennas and fancy overcoatings. Values up to $25.00. Preparedness price—

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Men's All Wool Black Kerseys or Fancy Mixtures, full box or pinch-backs. Values up to $20.00. Preparedness price—

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Plenty of Others at...$12.50 and up to $35



Boys' Overcoats



Sampeck Clothes
The Standard of America

Boys' Long School Coats. Values up to $7.00. Preparedness price **$5.00**
Boys' Juvenile Overcoats. Values up to $6.00.....**$3.95**
Plenty of others at.....**$7, $8 and $10**

MEN'S UNDERWEAR

$1.50 Union Suits 95c
75c Shirts and Drawers..... 59c

MERRIMACK CLOTHING COMP'Y

OPEN FRIDAY NIGHTS—ACROSS FROM CITY HALL—OPEN FRIDAY NIGHTS

GERMAN NOTE DECLARES DEPORTATIONS JUSTIFIED

BERLIN, Dec. 11, via London, Dec. 12.—Germany's answer to the American note regarding the deportation of Belgians is confined almost exclusively to a presentation of the situation in Belgium before the deportation order became effective. The note declares there was urgent need of some kind of work for the Belgians because their idleness was causing demoralization, and says that the deported workers are assured of well-being in new situations in Germany.

The reply volunteers to permit American diplomatic representatives to visit the workmen's camps and assure themselves that the Belgians are well off. It concludes with an expression of regret that the United States has never seen fit to protest against what it describes as the dragging off of Germans from East Prussia, Alsace and other places to Siberia and elsewhere. These actions, of which it accuses the allies, are characterized in the reply as a severe violation of the laws of humanity.

Says U. S. Misinformed

The note declares that the German government is convinced the United States has been misinformed in regard to the measures which have been taken and says lack of work has increased until 1,250,000 are suffering and an unbearable situation is created. Nothing remained, therefore, the note continues, but to offer the unemployed situations in Germany since work for all was not at hand in Belgium. It is contended that the majority of those who have come to Germany are happy and contented, with high wages and increased personal liberties and that only those who prefer idleness have been compelled to work.

In Accord With Law

The answer declares that the measure is entirely in accord with international law and cites article 43 of The Hague convention, which requires an invading government to maintain order.

This, it is maintained, is possible, only in Belgium by providing that people who are able to work shall have opportunity to do so and shall not fall a burden on charity. The note says the measure has been carried out without severity and with all possible consideration. Mistakes, it asserts, have rarely occurred, and have been due in part to the fact that Belgians themselves erred in making up the lists of those to be transported to Germany by including persons unaffected by Governor General Bissing's order of May 15, 1916.

What Belgians Are Doing

The note goes on to say that Belgians now working in Germany are employed without exception in occupations permissible under International Law, such as legitimate agricultural and industrial pursuits, and that the German government regrets expressly that the situation has been completely misrepresented in the United States by the "lying press of Germany's enemies." The German government, it is declared, in the interest of the Belgian population, would also regret if the activities of the Belgian relief commission were affected.

16 KILLED IN RIOT

AMSTERDAM Dec. 12, via London—Sixteen persons were killed and several mortally wounded in a riot at Tourcoing on the occasion of the deportation of 300 civilians by the Germans, according to the Echo Belge.

The paper says that the riot started when one of the men ordered deported was struck on the head with a rifle butt by a German soldier because he did not walk fast enough. Thereupon the crowd of spectators rushed at the soldier and a general melee followed, the German troops using their rifles. The account says that a squadron of cavalry had to charge the crowd before order was restored and that 50 arrests were made.

PROTEST DEPORTATIONS

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A strong protest against the deportation of Belgians was made at a great meeting of the social democratic labor party held at Amsterdam yesterday, according to a Reuter's despatch from that city. Magistrate Kliegen of Amsterdam, the principal speaker, strongly condemned German methods in Belgium. A resolution was passed appealing to all lovers of freedom, especially German socialists, to protest against the deportations.

BILLERICA GARAGE

A new garage is to be erected in Billerica centre on the estate of Dr. Tyler, opposite the common. It is understood that a transaction for the transfer of the property has been practically completed and that final papers will be passed in a few days. The purchaser is J. Edward Allen, who is in the automobile business in Billerica at the present time. The Tyler property is located on the corner of Main and Andover streets in the centre of the village. It consists of a large house and barn which will probably be changed into a garage, and a big lot of land.

U. S. ARMY TRANSPORT AGROUND

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. The United States army transport Sumner, bound from Colon to this port, with army officers, troops and civilians, was hard aground on the New Jersey coast off Barnegat early today. Two coast guard cutters, the Seneca and Mohawk, left the scene early this morning.

The Sumner, which left Colon Dec. 4 was previously reported at noon Sunday as being 407 miles south of Sandy Hook. The next heard of the vessel was the wireless call last night stating that she had gone ashore during a heavy fog. The transport's normal complement is 11 officers and a crew of 115, but she has been carrying many soldiers stationed at Panama to and from the isthmus. The last time she reached this port, she carried 195 passengers.

A wireless despatch received here from the Sumner at 7 o'clock this morning, stated that the vessel was beginning to pound with the rising tide. The sea, however, was smooth and a light northwest wind blowing. The situation was considered favorable. The despatch read: "Rain at present; sea smooth; light ground swell; wind light, northwest, thick fog. Ship beginning to pound as tide is making up. Boat from life saving station standing by to pass lines to coast guard cutters Seneca and Mohawk."

WOMEN AND CHILDREN TAKEN IN LIFEBOATS

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The women and children among the 232 passengers on the United States army transport Sumner, aground on the New Jersey coast off Barnegat have all been taken in lifeboats and put ashore, according to a message received today from the Sumner.

The Bon Marche
DRY GOODS CO.

TOMORROW MORNING WE OPEN A

SALE OF PARTY DRESSES

A lucky purchase of Party Dresses bought in New York last week. Just 48 Dresses, all samples just completed, and the manufacturer was unable to get more of these beautiful materials except at such a tremendous increase in cost he decided he could not afford to duplicate them and so we bought these 48 dresses at one-half price.



EVERY DRESS A NEW CREATION

EVERY DRESS AN ADVANCE STYLE

EVERY DRESS WORTH DOUBLE WHAT WE ASK

Dresses worth $25.00, $29.50, $35.00, $40.00.

SALE PRICE

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Sizes 16, 18, 36, 38. Come early for the most beautiful dresses you ever saw at this price.

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Merrimack Street, Cor. of Palmer

JUST IN---A VERY SPECIAL PURCHASE OF

High Grade Serge Dresses

FOR WOMEN AND MISSES

9.75 Regular Price 14.75

These are exceptional values for anyone in need of a new serge dress. They are noteworthy for the excellent quality of wool, wear serge used, the clever designing, and the careful manner in which they have been tailored. Some of the details of the styles—

Embroidery in bright colored silks. Box-pleated skirts. Satin sleeves. White flannel collars. Moyen Age lines.

Reduced Prices on Winter Coats

FOR WOMEN AND MISSES

29.50

Sealette Plush Coats trimmed with mouffion collar and cuffs; full length flaring models; fancy silk linings.

Formerly 39.50

18.50

Full flaring models of navy blue and Russian green wool velours, with beaver plush trimming.

Formerly 24.75

PRACTICAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS

The Waist Shop

May solve your Christmas problem of "what to give." There is always an endless demand for new blouses and an equally endless supply of them. Some of the latest arrivals are—

LACE TRIMMED VOILE BLOUSES in dressy and tailored styles....95c

LINEN AND BATISTE WAISTS, with hand embroidery 1.95

CREPE DE CHINE BLOUSES, with collars of paisley silk.....2.95

GEORGETTE CREPE BLOUSES, hand embroidered, in color ...3.95

PAISLEY CHIFFON BLOUSES, with black velvet collar 4.95

GEORGETTE CREPE BLOUSES, with trimmings of cream Venise lace, 4.95

Silk Underwear

A gift any woman would be charmed to have another woman give her.

SILK JERSEY VESTS, plain hemstitched or embroidered styles, in flesh and white .....2.75 and 2.95

SILK JERSEY KNICKERS, in flesh, white and black.....2.95 and 3.95

ENVELOPE CHEMISES, of flesh and white crepe de chine, trimmed with French lace and ribbons, 2.25, 2.95 and 4.95

NIGHT ROBES of crepe de chine, with tops of filet and Valenciennes lace, ribbons and French roses, 3.95 and 4.95

CAMISOLES and BRASSIERES, of crepe de chine, washable satins and clung to.....95c, 1.95 and 2.95

BOUDOIR CAPS of lace, net and pink, blue or white crepe de chine, 50c and 75c

POLICE COURT

Continued

been killed down. Lessard was operating a motorcycle in the vicinity of Broadway and Fox street in Dracut on the afternoon of November 28th. As he was passing the house occupied by Mrs. Pauline E. Lachut, he ran over her dog and the machine inflicted injuries which later resulted in the dog's death. She claimed that the defendant did not stop his machine until she had shouted to her husband to stop the man and get the number of the machine.

Mrs. Lachut admitted that she was willing to settle the damage for $5 at the time of the accident but the defendant did not have the money with him and in court this morning she said she would not agree to that.

A number of witnesses were called on both sides and questioned by counsel, the greater part of their testimony being corroborative of that offered by the defendant and complainant.

Lessard said he was operating his machine at a rate of about 25 miles an hour and admitted running over the dog but returned, gave his name, the number of his machine and his residence and later reported the affair to an officer in Dracut.

The court after considering the facts in the case found the defendant not guilty and ordered him discharged.

Heavy Fine Imposed

Vasilios Drakoulis entered a plea of guilty to a complaint charging him with assault and battery on William Chrysalon and after counsel had explained the circumstances in connection with the case to the court the defendant was found guilty and a fine of $50 was imposed.

Fined $25 Each

Arthur L. Mercier and Blanche Forgon, charged with a statutory offense, were found guilty and each ordered to pay a fine of $25.

Extremely Guilty

When John E. Horne was asked to plead to a complaint charging him with neglecting to provide for the support of his minor child he said, "I am extremely guilty." The court after conferring with the wife of the defendant and the probation officer decided to continue the case until December 15th and in the meantime the defendant will be examined by two alienists as to his sanity.

Cases Continued

Lina Poquette and William Demarais entered pleas of not guilty to a complaint, which contained two counts, one charging them with operating an automobile on the first of December in a manner which endangered the life and safety of the public and also with a violation of the motor vehicle law. By agreement of counsel the case was continued until the 20th of the month.

A Stubborn Child

Catherine A. Bodkin who is not yet 18 years of age, was brought before the court on a complaint charging her with being a stubborn child. She wept bitterly while her father testified as to her actions. The court felt that there was a chance for the girl to reform and placed her on probation for six months.

Case Continued

Patrick J. O'Brien who appeared before the court yesterday morning on a complaint charging him with drunkenness, but whose case was continued after it was learned that he assaulted a man in Dutton street Sunday afternoon, reappeared in court this morning and Lawyer George F. Toye explained to Judge Enright that the man who was assaulted had provoked the assault and despite the fact that he is still in the hospital he does not intend to make any complaint. It was O'Brien's fourth offense for drunkenness, but counsel explained that if it had not been for the assault the man would not have been arrested for drunkenness. The court decided to continue the case until tomorrow in order that a further investigation in the matter might be made.

The Suit Club Case

Morris Friedman, aged 20 years, of Boston, who was placed under arrest yesterday afternoon by Sergt. McClonghry on a complaint charging him with the larceny of $1.50 in money, 50 cents each from Thomas F. Gallagher, William Curtis and Thomas Mullaney, entered a plea of not guilty through his counsel, Bernard Gould of Salem.

It is alleged that Friedman was connected with a so-called suit club where members paid 50 cents per week, drawings were made and as soon as a man would receive his number a suit would be delivered and he would then stop paying. The unlucky members of the club were guaranteed a suit after paying 50 cents per week for 20 weeks.

The case was continued until one week from tomorrow at request of counsel for the defense.

Drunken Offenders

Catherine McCarthy, charged with drunkenness, was given a suspended sentence to Sherborn. John Conboy was sentenced to the state farm. Louis Lafiamme was given a chance to pay a $15 fine.

The case of Louis Polenski was called shortly after noon. He was charged with the larceny of $45 in money from John Kosloskie and also the larceny of a bed and commode the property of Stanley Alekk. After the complainant had ordered his testimony the court adjourned and the case was continued until tomorrow morning.

"BELGIAN DAY" AT THE BAZAAR A SUCCESS

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Belgian day proved an unqualified success at the National Allied bazaar yesterday, more than 30,000 persons crowding into Mechanic's building during the day and evening and enjoying the varied entertainment.

Yesterday's visitors were of the "buying" class and the management believes that $30,000 would prove a very conservative guess of the day's receipts.

During the four hours that the big bazaar was open to the public on Saturday evening $22,172 was taken in.

Christmas shoppers were much in evidence. Everything imaginable in the form of gift can be secured. Subscriptions for automobiles and yachts were sold very rapidly yesterday.

The special feature of last evening's program was the singing of the Belgian national anthem in the main hall by Mme. Christine Evensael, a Belgian prima donna, assisted by a chorus of nearly 50 voices. They later sang "God Save the King," the Marseillaise" and "The Star Spangled Banner."

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

JEWEL THEATRE

AMATEURS TONIGHT

And MANTELL and HAMPER in "THE SPIDER AND THE FLY"

A FOX PLAY

Cabaret and Dance

ASSOCIATE HALL

Kimball System B. B. Club

THURSDAY, DEC. 14

Featuring Queen City Trio

TICKETS 25 CENTS

ST. JOHN'S LADIES' AUXILIARY WHIST PARTY

Thursday Night, December 14

AT ST. JOHN'S HALL

Refreshments Tickets 25c

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR CABARET AND DANCE

The members of the Kimball System baseball team met last night and elected the following officers for their cabaret and dance which will take place at Associate hall next Thursday night. General manager, Paul R. Clark; assistant, Philip Murphy; floor director, Arthur Lynch; assistant, John McVey; chief aid, Roland Falls; aids, James Liston, James Grant, Peter Condon, Orrin Allen Herbert White, Thomas Clark, E. L. Kimball and Charles Curry. Treasurer Joseph P. Caiman. The feature of the evening will be a concert and cabaret by the famous Queen City trio. This trio puts across a number of catchy songs and will certainly give the dancing public of Lowell a real treat Thursday night. They have just finished a week's engagement at the Colonial theatre in Lawrence, where they scored a big hit.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.



NECKWEAR

When we say neckwear we really do say some-thing. Think it over, we have more than 7000 neckties for you to choose from. They sell for 25c, 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.50. If there is a single color or combination of colors that you can't find in our selection, we'll do our best to get it for you. We do our ties up in nice new idea boxes, and will forward them to any part of the country for you.

OTHER HOLIDAY GIFTS IN CORRESPONDING ASSORTMENTS

—AT—

MACARTNEY'S

"APPAREL SHOP"

The Home of 10 Cent Collars

72 MERRIMACK ST.

LOOKS LIKE FORTUNE FOR LOWELL WOMAN

Mrs. Victoria Blouin of 15 Dempsey's place, this city, who claims to be the widow of F. X. Blouin, who died recently at St. Michel de Bellechasse, Que., and who left an estate valued at about $8,000, is, through her attorney, Arthur L. Enn, negotiating with the attorney in charge of Mr. Blouin's estate and she hopes within a short time to become the owner of the estate.

Mr. Blouin died a few weeks ago and in his will he appointed Dr. Simeon Bolduc of St. Michel de Bellechasse, administrator of his estate. The doctor wrote to Mayor O'Donnell in an endeavor to locate the wife of deceased and the letter was printed in The Sun with the result that Mrs. Victoria Blouin of 15 Dempsey's place came forward and filed a claim to the estate as the wife of F. X. Blouin, with whom she had not lived for a number of years.

The attorney for the estate, Alphonse Mercier of Quebec, was informed of the woman's claim and yesterday he informed Mrs. Blouin that there is no doubt in his mind as to the validity of her claim and he states it will be but a matter of a short time before the estate is settled. Accompanying his letter is a list of questions to be answered by the woman in order to prove her identity, and these questions have been answered.

LICENSE QUESTION ISSUE IN TODAY'S ELECTION

This is city election day and the polls opened at 6 this morning and will close at 4 p. m. After a quiet campaign considerable interest has cropped out in the past few days and contradictory claims are being made by the friends and supporters of the competing candidates.

The ballot is short and unusually simple and no difficulty is expected so far as the counting is concerned. In all probability the vote will be counted early in the evening. Most of the work during the campaign was of the quiet kind, but it has been reported that large bands of organized voters have been working for this or that candidate.

Aside from the contest for commissioner and the school committee the license question is the topic of the hour. The "no-license" forces have been claiming a victory in advance but the license supporters claim that the city will go license, though probably by a reduced majority. It was also commonly said that the unfavorable weather of this morning was in favor of license as the "stay-at-homes" in consequence would be in favor of no-license if they went to the polls. This year there has been a great deal of feeling in relation to the license question, pro and con and it may result in a heavy vote at the polls.

William C. McNamara, secretary of the Lowell no-license committee informed Mayor O'Donnell yesterday that the liquor interests were bent on carrying certain wards, and he asked that officers be specially assigned there. The mayor assured him that the law would be adequately enforced and that any infractions would be promptly dealt with.

MAYOR THANKS FORMER POLICE HEAD

Mayor James E. O'Donnell has taken official recognition of the services of former Superintendent of Police William E. Moffatt, who recently gave voluntary instructions to members of the Department in the science of finger printing. During the hearing attendant on the removal of former Messenger John J. Pinder the statement was made that but one man in the police department was capable of classifying finger prints, and at that time Mayor O'Donnell wrote to Superintendent Welch stating that Mr. Moffatt would gladly instruct members of the police department in all relating to taking and classifying finger prints. Following is Mayor O'Donnell's letter to Mr. Moffatt:

December 8, 1916.

Mr William E. Moffatt,
Daniels Street,
Lowell, Mass.,

My Dear Mr. Moffatt: The identification system of the police department having been established on an efficient basis through your voluntary instructions in the science of finger printing, I desire at this time as commissioner of public safety to express to you my sincere thanks for the valuable assistance given the police department by you in this matter.

When you volunteered your services, the statement had been made that but one man in the entire police department was capable of classifying finger prints; but now it gives me pleasure to state that the department has four men who are proficient in this work and at least three others who are capable of acting as assistants to them whenever their services shall be required. Our identification department is now in first-class shape, and we are deeply grateful to you for the assistance you so cheerfully gave us.

Respectfully,
James E. O'Donnell,
Mayor and Commissioner of Public Safety.

ON DANGEROUS LIST

James Burnham, the Market street man, who was injured by falling machinery at the plant of the Avery Chemical Co., yesterday afternoon, is still in a precarious condition at St. John's hospital.

LOST TWO FINGERS

While working on a saw in the Cheney Box shop about 10 o'clock this forenoon a man giving his name as Escord Lagette of 67 Westford street, suffered a painful injury to his left hand. Two fingers were cut off and the hand was badly bruised. He was removed in the ambulance to St. John's hospital.

SUN BREVITIES

Best printing: Tobin's, Asso. Bldg.

Racine Tires, Beharrell's.

J. S Moir, optometrist, Wyman's Ex.

J. F. Donohoe, 228 Hildreth bldg, real estate and insurance. Telephone.

Ukuleles, steel guitars, banjo, mandolins, some choice ones, expert buyer. Hovey, Wyman's Exc.

Salem K. Hussen was arrested in this city yesterday by Inspector David Petrie on a capias issued by the superior court. Hussen, it is alleged, is wanted by the Boston police on a case of larceny.

U. S. ARMORY SERVICE

Rudolph Ayotte and Eugene Gagnon, both natives of Lowell, were accepted for service in the United States army by Capt. E. E. Bennett of Portland, Me., at Manchester, N. H., yesterday. Both men applied at the branch office in Nashua and were transferred to Manchester.

POLITICAL CRISIS IN RUSSIA

PETROGRAD, Dec. 11, via London, Dec. 12.—The swift procession of political events which has been making a new chapter in Russian history has come to a temporary halt awaiting the final decision of the government. The present situation is as follows:

A majority of both parliamentary chambers, for the first time in their existence, presents a united front against the government and a series of extraordinarily sensational accusations against the present cabinet, and disclosures of government inefficiency and corrupt influences have been crystalized into the more dignified shape of a demand for a ministry which can be supported by the legislative bodies and the public opinion of the nation.

Both chambers are firm in their insistence upon not merely a changed personnel in the ministry but the final elimination of those "dark forces" which formed the topic of so many impassioned utterances in the Duma and the imperial council. It is impossible to go closely into details, but the present upheaval can be accepted in outline as a tremendously patriotic protest against the efforts of the German party and all other influences which have attempted to interfere with the successful prosecution of the war.

The last word apparently has been said in both chambers. Half of the extreme right faction in the Duma has seceded from the party since the scandal caused by the insult offered President Rodzianko by the reactionist deputy, Markoff, and the imperial council, reflecting for the first time in its history the popular voice, has by an overwhelming majority allied itself with the Duma. The next move undoubtedly will be made by the government. In the meantime, pleas new to Russia for a "responsible ministry" are heard everywhere and the newspapers print long articles anticipating the new regime, which is regarded as inevitable. A rumor is current to the effect that the change in the cabinet will not be announced before the solemn assembly of both houses in the winter palace.

THE NEW FRENCH CABINET IS COMPLETED

PARIS, Dec. 12, 12.30 p. m.—Premier Briand announced today that he had completed reconstruction of the cabinet and that the list will appear in tomorrow's Journal Officiel. The premier is expected to make a statement to parliament tomorrow.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—Premier Briand speaking to a group of reporters last night said: "There is nothing absolutely positive as yet but you can announce that the new government will in all probability appear in the chamber of deputies Wednesday."

Some of the deputies are not satisfied with the plan of a concentrated ministry and desire to condense parliament. Deputy Georges Bonnefous has introduced a bill for the creation of a parliamentary committee of national defense which will continue for the duration of the war. The committee would consist of 30 delegates elected by the deputies and forty elected by the senate. The committee would meet weekly to consider information relative to the military, diplomatic and economic conduct of the war as communicated by the government. The chamber and the senate would hold a brief session not more than once a month, to transact necessary business and ratify the decisions of the committee.

POOR CAR SERVICE

When Car No. 1378, which came from Westford street and was due in Merrimack square at some time around 5 o'clock, but arrived at 5.12, reached the depot this morning every seat was occupied, the front vestibule was filled, and the rear was filled to overflowing, while there were people standing on the fender on the rear of the car. The register showed that 118 passengers had boarded the car from the time it left Tyler park until it reached Merrimack square.

FIRE IN CLOSET

An insignificant fire in a closet in a garage at 550 Moody street late yesterday afternoon caused an alarm from box 148, corner of Perkins and Ward streets. The damage was slight.

ELECTIONS IN 17 CITIES

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Sharp contests for city offices in many instances marked the elections held in 17 of the cities of this state today. Strong efforts to sway the annual vote on the legalizing of the sale of liquor had been made in all the municipalities by advocates and opponents of the license policy.

The cities voting were Attleboro, Beverly, Everett, Lynn, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Newburyport, Newton, Revere, Somerville, Woburn, Chelsea, Chicopee, Lawrence, Lowell and Worcester.

CONSTANTINE DESIRES TIME

LONDON, Dec. 12.—An Amsterdam despatch to the Times says that Count Reventlow, the well known German military critic, declares that King Constantine now desires to gain time to enable the Germans to concentrate a relieving force. The count is quoted as adding that it is uncertain if the Greek supplies will last long enough to permit the Germans to come to their assistance.

NO-SCHOOL BELL

No afternoon session was held in the public schools of the city today on account of the heavy rain. There was school this morning but box 252 sounded at 1.45 o'clock this afternoon, notifying the pupils not to return.

10 MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Five Floors and Daylight Basement Filled with Useful Xmas Gifts

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Meet your friends in our Ladies' Rest and Waiting Room on our Second Floor.

Useful and Acceptable Christmas Gifts

HOLIDAY HANDKERCHIEFS—The Gift of Universality

The giver of handkerchiefs can always be confident of the pleasure of the receiver—for few gifts are so universally acceptable. Many new and pleasing novelties are here to tempt the gift giver. By Chalifoux's long established policy the purchaser is assured "Lowest" in the city prices.

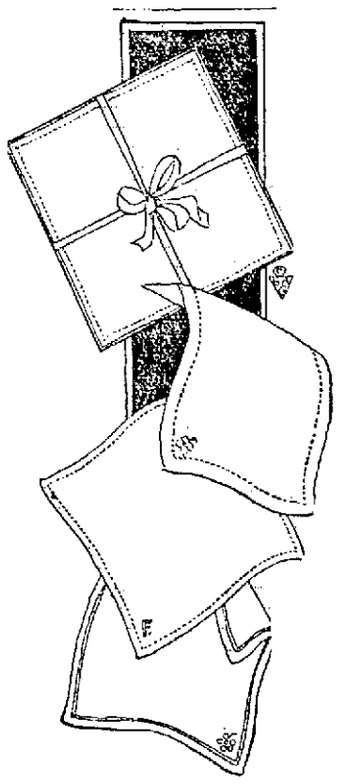
Women's Hemstitched Lawn Handkerchiefs, embroidered in colors or all white, neatly packed in a pretty box .....Box of 6, 75c

Women's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, embroidered in colors or all white. Box of 4 for 50c

Women's Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, daintily embroidered, 6 in a box, different styles. ..... Box of 6, 75c and $1.50

Women's Plain Linen Handkerchiefs, 1/8 and 1/4 inch hem. Priced 10c, 12½c, 15c up to 50c Each

Men's White Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, with colored border....Special at 12½c



Women's Hand Embroidered Madeira Linen Handkerchiefs, with scalloped edge and dainty one corner embroidery. Exceptional value at 25c Each

Women's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, embroidered in white.....Box of 3 for 25c

Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, in neat designs, embroidered in one corner. 12½c Each

Men's Pure Linen Hand Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs, best quality Irish linen, with plain and embroidered initial. Regular sizes, 1/4 inch hem.....Box of 6, 75c and $1.50

Men's Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, in colors or all white .....50c Each

Children's Handkerchiefs in white and colors, different styles, 3 in a box .....12½c, 15c, 19c and 25c
See Window No. 17

Men's Hand Drawn Fine Linen Handkerchiefs. Priced 25c, 37c and 50c
Street Floor

FANCY NOVELTIES IN VARIED ASSORTMENT

Collar cases, sewing baskets, pin cushions, hat pin holders, shoe trees, utility bags, skirt hangers, vanity cases, pin books, sachets. Priced from .....25c to $1.49

Smallware Dept.—Street Floor

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Will hold Receptions in Toyland on our Third Floor daily from 3 to 4 p. m.

FOUND IN OUR LEATHER GOODS DEPARTMENT

A large assortment of leather goods which make most sensible and useful Christmas gifts.

Pocketbooks, billfolds, music rolls, bags of all kinds, writing pads, manicure sets, traveling sets, military brushes, sewing baskets, children's bags, desk sets, flasks, jewel cases, diaries, drinking cups, cigaret and cigar cases—all most reasonably priced. (Street Floor)

Ribbons and Ribbon Novelties

Made from ribbons from our ribbon department—such as coat hangers, sewing bags, boudoir caps, talcum boxes, bonnet rosettes, carriage straps and fancy bags.

We have a most complete line of hair bow ribbon in plaids, dresdens, moires and plain colors, priced from....25c Yard Up

See Window No. 17

DEMONSTRATION OF TIE AND POCKET CLASPS

In our Jewelry Department, Street Floor

MAYOR AND MORSE

Continued

have started other jobs of the same kind if I only had the far."

Commissioner Morse further declared that only for a shortage of essentials, much work of the kind the mayor objects to could be done even later in the season. He said that the mayor was either misinformed or does not quite understand that method of street construction. He said, moreover, that he is sure of the soundness of his position.

Kimball Co. Plans

The lands and buildings department received from the R. D. Kimball Co. of Boston this morning the plans and specifications for the heating, ventilating and electrical work on the new high school, and bids on same will be called for right away, tomorrow, if possible.

The heating and ventilating plans are on one contract and the plans for electrical work are on a separate contract. In accordance with the wishes of the advisory board and the municipal council, provisions are made for a possible municipal power plant, and if it is decided to omit this feature later it can be done so.

Tax Collections

The board of assessors have committed to the city collector, Andrew G. Stiles, a warrant embracing a supplementary list of poll taxes for the year 1916 in the amount of $1,252.00. This amount is additional to that committed to him on the original warrant of Sept. 9, 1916, and contains a list of all persons assessed since then, including those who have registered as voters.

The board has also been empowered to levy between the 16th and 20th of December the additional taxes for the year 1916 where information has come into possession of the board later than the committment of the original assessment. This is done annually at this time.

Permits

Among the buildings permits issued at city hall for the past few days are the following. To Henry Achin, Jr., for a two-family dwelling at 9 Plymouth street, each apartment to have 5 rooms and bath. The building will be of two and one-half stories and the estimated cost is $5500.

Standard Bottling company, for bottling factory at the corner of Westford and Stedman streets, one story building, cost $3000.

Louise and Andrew L. Keefe, to repair fire damages in building at Broadway and School street, $800.

Eva M. Wright, piazza at 320 Wilder street, cost $500.

MATRIMONIAL

Edwin Edward Dudley of Fitchburg and Miss Eileen Ethel Howell of this city were married Dec. 6 at the home of the bridegroom in Fitchburg by Rev. Samuel D. Ringrose. The bridesmaid was a sister of the bride, Miss Letitia Howell, while the best man was a brother of the groom, Charles S. Dudley. The couple will make their home in Fitchburg.

APPOINTED ORGANIZER

Mr. Arthur A. McCullough, the well known chess and checker player, has been appointed organizer for the Catholic Fraternal league in Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill. Mr. McCullough has many warm friends in all three cities but especially so in Lowell, his home city.

Rae's Olive Oil, pt.....45c
Camphorated Oil, pt.....40c
Castor Oil, pt.....35c
Mineral Oil, pt.....35c

TALBOT'S CHEMICAL STORE
40 MIDDLE ST.

CLASSIFIED ADS.

Received Too Late for Classification

POCKETBOOK lost last Tuesday on Spaulding, Moody or Aiken sts., contained money and receipts. Return to Donat Damour, 11 Spaulding street. Reward.

BILLFOLD, containing sum of money, lost Monday downtown. Reward at 360 Westford st., upstairs.

YOUNG MAN wanted, 17 years old or over, as office clerk. Good opportunity. Write P 75, Sun office.

TEAMING, TRUCKING, piano and furniture moving. Yards and cellars cleaned. Compart by the day or hour. Reasonable prices on all jobs. Hugh McGregan, 93 Bartlett st. Tel. No. 4848.

PROF. ZRAZABAN MARZABAN—Palmist and astrologist. Egyptian seer. Special 50c reading, 25 Dutton st. Hours: 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. Bring this advertisement today and tomorrow and name will be given free.

ROSARY BEADS, amethyst, lost Friday evening, Dec. 8, on Lawrence or Moore sts. Reward if returned to 6 Olive st.

SALESWOMAN wanted, high grade, good position for the right person. Only a saleswoman of the highest standard need apply. Call Lowell Gas Light Co. Appliance Store, 198 Merrimack st., between 5 and 6 o'clock p. m.

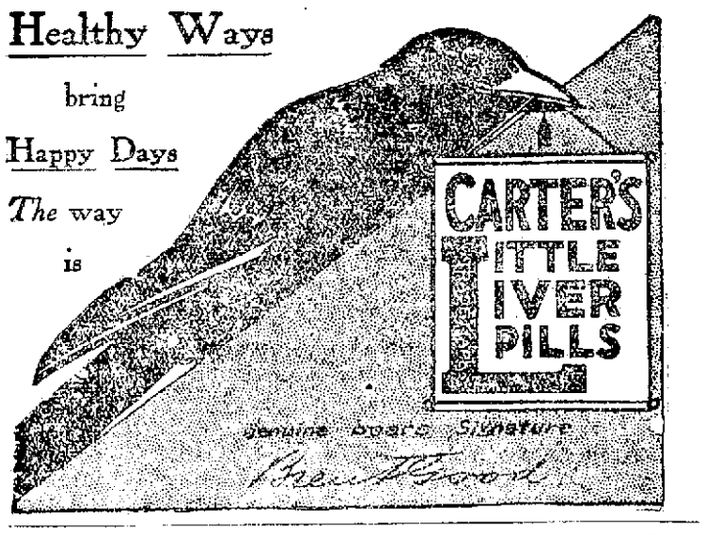
COTTAGE for sale, two and one-half stories, 8 fine rooms, only 3 minutes' walk to Davis square, price and terms to suit buyer. Inquire of M. Queally, 41 Royal st. Tel. 2858-W.

TWO UNFURNISHED ROOMS to let, suitable for light housekeeping. 93 Chestnut st.

FRENCH POODLE, all white, lost Sunday morning. Finder please return to 511 Lawrence st.

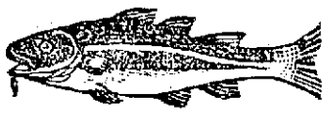
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Beatrice E. Keen, late of Lowell, Mass., in the County of Middlesex, of the deceased, intestate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to (Address) 15 Curtis street, Lowell, Mass. Dec 11, 1916.
Morton M. Walker, Adm.
d 12-19-26

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63 MARKET ST.

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16 RUNELS BLDG. MERRIMACK SQ. LOWELL, MASS.

TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Allis Chalmers	32½	30	30½
Am Beet Sugar	104	101	101
Am Can	59	55¼	56¼
Am Can pf	114⅞	114⅝	114⅝
Am Car & Fu	75½	72	72
Am Car & Fu pf	119¾	119¾	119¾
Am Cot Oil	52	51¾	51¾
Am Hides L Com	15½	15½	15½
Am Hide & L pf	76⅞	73	73⅝
Am Locomo	90	85¾	85¾
Am Locomo pf	107⅛	107⅛	107⅛
Am Smelt & R	113¾	109⅝	109⅝
Am Smelt & R pf	115⅝	115½	115½
Am Sugar Rfn	114⅞	112	113
Anaconda	82½	80⅛	80⅛
Atchison	104⅞	103⅞	103⅞
Atchison pf	100⅜	100⅜	100⅜
Baldwin Loco	75⅛	74½	74½
Balt & Ohio	85	84½	84⅝
Beth Steel	600	599	599
Balt & Ohio pf	74⅝	74⅝	74⅝
Br Rap Tran	85¼	83	83¼
Cal Pete	26¼	25¼	25¼
Cal Pete pf	57	54	55½
Canadian Pa	166¼	164⅞	165½
Cast I Pipe Com	25	22⅞	23⅛
Cast I Pipe pf	65	65	65
Cent Leather	111½	104⅝	105
Cent Leather pf	117	116	117
Ches & Ohio	66¾	64¾	64⅞
Chi & Gt W Com	14⅝	14	14
Chi & Gt W pf	42	40⅜	41
Chi R I & Pac	37⅞	36	36
Chile	26⅞	24½	25
Col Fuel	54⅜	51	51
Consol Gas	136	133½	133½
Corn Products	26⅛	24⅝	24½
Corn Products pf	108¼	106½	108¾
Crucible Steel	82⅝	76½	76⅝
Den & Rio G pf	43	41	43
Del & Hud	50	50	50
Del L & W	239	238	238
Den & Rio G	18	18	18
Dis Secur Co	41½	40	40
Erie	36⅝	35¾	36⅛
Erie 1st pf	51⅝	51⅜	51⅝
Erie 2d pf	42⅝	42½	42½
Gen Elec	178½	175	176½
Gen Motors	750	750	750
Goodrich	68⅜	66½	66½
Gt North pf	41⅞	40	40
Gt N Ore ctf	117½	116½	117½
Illinois Cen	106⅞	105	105
Int Met Com	17⅞	17¼	17¼
Int Met Com pf	72½	72¼	72¼
Int Mer Marine	41⅝	40½	40½
Int Mer Marine pf	116⅞	112	112
Int Paper	63½	57	57
Int Paper pf	107	104¾	104¾
Kan City So	26⅛	25⅛	25⅛
Kan & Texas	9⅝	9	9¼
Kan & Tex pf	20	19	19
Lehigh Valley	80½	79⅞	79⅞
Louis & Nash	130	130	130
Maxwell	70½	68¾	69
*Maxwell 1st	79⅝	79	79
Maxwell 2nd	50	49¾	49½
Mexican Petroleum	106⅝	102⅜	103
Missouri Pa	18	17	17
Nat Lead	63¾	62¼	63½
Nat Lead pf	113	112⅞	112⅞
N Y Air Brake	155	157½	157½
N Y Central	106½	105	105
Nor & West	137	135½	135½
No Am Co	71	70	70⅝
North Pacific	110½	110	110
Ont & West	30	29⅝	30
Pacific Mail	26⅝	25⅛	25⅛
People's Gas	106⅞	106⅞	106⅞
Pennsylvania	56½	56¼	56⅜
Pitts Coal	52⅞	48⅛	48⅜
Pressed Steel	83	78½	78½
Pullman Co	164	164	161
Ry St Sp Co	57⅞	54	54
Reading	108⅜	106⅛	106⅛
Rep Iron & S	85⅜	80⅞	80⅞
Rep I & S pf	116⅛	116	116⅜
St Paul	92	91¼	91⅝
Sloss-Sheffield	79	75	75½
So. Pac	98⅝	97½	97⅝
Southern Ry	29⅝	28⅝	29
Southern Ry pf	68	68	68
Studebaker	119⅞	118⅜	118¾
Tex pac	18⅛	18	18
Tenn Copper	24⅞	24⅛	24⅜
Third Ave	50½	50⅛	50⅝
Union Pac	144½	143½	143½
Union Pac pf	82½	82⅛	82½
U S Ind Alcohol	135¼	124¼	124¼
U S Rub	68⅝	65	65¼
U S Rub pf	114	113½	113½
U S Steel	123	118⅝	118⅝
U S Steel pf	125⅝	121	121
U S Steel 5s	106	106	106
Utah Copper	119⅞	118½	118⅝
Va Chem	46¼	45⅝	45¾
Westinghouse	59½	56½	56⅝
Western Un	101	101	101

*Ex-Div.

BOSTON MARKET

RAILROADS

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Boston & Albany	176½	176½	176½
Boston Elevated	79½	79½	79½
Boston & Maine	14	13	13
N Y & N H	56½	56	56

MINING

Adventure	5	5	5
Ahmeek	118	118	118
Alaska Gold	12½	12¼	12¼
Allouez	74	71	72
Algomah	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝
American zinc	26	25⅞	25⅞
Arcadian	6	5½	5½
Arizona Com	15⅝	14⅝	14⅝
Butte & Superior	68	66	66⅝
Cal & Arizona	87	84	84¼
Cal & Hecla	585	575	580
Centennial	22	22	22
Chino	64	63	63½
Copper Range	74½	71	71½
Daly-West	3¼	3	3
E Butte	17⅝	16½	17
Franklin	10¼	9	9½
Granby	101⅜	97	99
Greene-Cananea	50	49¼	49¾
Hancock	18½	17½	17½
Indiana	4⅝	4⅜	4⅜
Inspiration	66⅞	62⅝	63⅜
Isle Royale	38	36	37
Kerr Lake	4⅝	4⅜	4⅜
Lake	14	13½	13½
La Salle	5	5	5
Mass	16½	15½	16
Mayflower	9	8	8
Miami	44⅞	41¾	42⅛
Michigan	2⅞	2⅝	2⅝
Mohawk	102	100	101
Nevada	30½	29	29⅝
Nipissing	9	9	9
New Idria	16	16	16
North Butte	26	24	24½
No. Lake	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛
Old Colony	2¾	2⅝	2⅝
Old Dominion	77	75½	75½
Osceola	98½	96	97
Quincy	98½	94	94¾
Ray Con	31⅝	29½	29½
Santa Fe	2	2	2
St Mary	97	96	96
Shannon	10½	9⅝	9⅝
Shattuck Ariz	32	30	30
Superior	16½	16	16½
Superior & Boston	6⅞	6½	6⅝
Tamarack	45	44	44
Trinity	7	6½	6½
Tuolumne	2⅜	2	2
U S Smelting	73⅞	72	72
U S Smelting pf	52	52	52
Utah-Apex	4	3⅞	4
Utah Cons	20⅜	19	19
Utah Metal	7½	7	7⅛
Wolverine	50½	49	50
Winona	5¾	5½	5½

TELEPHONE

New Eng Tel	125	125	125
Am Tel & Tel	125⅞	125⅛	125½

MISCELLANEOUS

Am Ag Chem Com	98	96	98
Am Ag Chem pf	103¼	102	102¼
Am Pneumatic	1¼	1⅛	1⅛
Am Woolen	52⅝	48⅜	48⅝
Am Woolen pf	96⅞	95⅝	95⅝
Island Creek Coal	69	66	66
Mass Gas	95	95	95
Mass Gas pf	81	80¾	80¾
Mass Elec	3	3	3
Mass Elec pf	28	28	28
Pond Creek	22¼	21½	21⅝
Swift & Co	152	150	150¾
United Fruit	148⅞	146	147¼
United Sh M	58½	57¼	57½
Ventura	9¾	9⅜	9⅝

TRADING WAS BROKEN AND MORE ACTIVE

RECESSIONS OF A POINT OR MORE IN NUMEROUS IMPORTANT ISSUES

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. Yesterday's reactionary trend was carried to greater lengths at today's opening, with recessions of a point or more in numerous important issues such as U. S. Steel, leading coppers and other metals, petroleums, motors and specialties of less definite character. Rails also yielded though in more moderate measure. Trading was broader and more active, but individual offerings with the exception of steel were mostly small. Among the few stocks to register gains were Central Leather, Atlantic, Gulf & West Indies and Pressed Steel Car.

Exchanges

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. Exchanges $751,461,917; balances $33,139,949.

Boston Market

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Copper shares without exception fell off in price after word of German peace proposals today. Mohawk and Copper Range, with losses of 2 points each, represented the extreme drop at 100¾.

Cotton Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. Cotton futures opened steady. December 17.60, January 17.72, March 18.00, May 18.20, July 18.24, October 18.45.

Hurried Selling

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. The first intimation of peace proposals was followed by hurried selling, particularly of war issues, Bethlehem Steel leading with a precipitate decline of 26 points with 15 for Gulf States Steel. U. S. Steel showed an extreme reversal of 7 points and others of that group fell away abruptly. Coppers also proved vulnerable at recessions of 2 to 5 points, with similar losses in equipments, shipping stocks, sugars and rubbers. Rails were unsettled with declines of 1 to 2 points in high grade shares. Liquidation continued throughout the forenoon with further impairment of prices.

Anglo-French 5's were at a new low record and exchange on the Teutonic countries was at greater discounts than at any time since the war.

CHANCELLOR INFORMS REICHSTAG OF PEACE PROPOSALS

BERLIN, Dec. 12, by wireless to Sayville. Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech in the reichstag is reported by the Overseas News agency as follows:

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg today announced to the reichstag that Germany, together with her allies "conscious of their responsibility before God, before their own nations, before humanity" had proposed this morning to the hostile powers to enter on peace negotiations.

Virtually all the members of parliament answered the unexpected summons. The crowded house and thronged galleries listened in attentive silence when the chancellor rose for his speech.

The chancellor first outlined the extraordinary political situation and then, insisting upon the achievements of the central powers, made an announcement which possibly may be the turning point in the war which for more than two years has held the world under its spell. The chancellor said:

"The reichstag had not been adjourned for a long period, but fortunately it was left to the discretion of the president as to the day of the next meeting. This decision was caused by the hope that soon happy events in the field would be recorded, a hope fulfilled quicker, almost, than expected. I shall be brief, for actions speak for themselves."

The chancellor said Rumania had entered the war in order to roll up the German positions in the east and those of Germany's allies. At the same time the grand offensive in Somme has as its object to pierce the German western front and the renewed Italian attacks were intended to paralyze Austria-Hungary.

"The situation was serious," the chancellor continued. "But with God's help our troops shaped conditions so as to give us security which not only is complete but more so than ever before. The western front stands. Not only does it stand but in spite of the Rumanian campaign it is fitted out with larger reserves of men and material than it had been formerly. The most effective precautions have been taken against all Italian diversions. And while on the Somme and on the Carso the drum-fire resounded while the Russians launched troops against the eastern frontier of Transylvania, Field Marshal von Hindenburg captured the whole of western Wallachia and the hostile capital of Bucharest, bearing with unparalleled genius the troops fast in competition with all the allies made possible what hitherto was considered impossible.

"And Hindenburg does not rest. Military operation progressed. By strokes of the sword at the same time firm foundations for our economic needs have been laid. Great stocks of grain, cereals, oil and other goods fell into our hands in Rumania. Their transport has begun. In spite of scarcity, we could have lived on our own supplies, but now our safety is beyond question.

"To these great events on land," the chancellor continued, "heroic deeds of equal importance are added by our submarines. The specter of famine, which our enemies intended to appear before us, now pursues them without mercy. When, after the termination of the first year of the war, the emperor addressed the nation in a public appeal, as still 'Having without equal such great events, my heart was filled with awe and determination.'

"Neither our emperor nor our nation ever changed their minds in this respect. Neither have they now. The genius and heroic acts of our leaders have fashioned these facts as firm as iron. If the enemy counted upon the weariness of his enemy, then he was deceived.

"The protecting lay league of the national military war service law, helped to build a new offensive and defensive bulwark in the midst of the great struggle," the chancellor continued.

"Behind the fighting army stands the nation at work—the gigantic force of the nation, working for the common aim.

"The empire is not a besieged fortress, as our adversaries imagined, but one gigantic and firmly disciplined camp with inexhaustible resources. That is the German empire, which is firmly and faithfully united with its brothers in arms, who have been tested in battle under the Austro-Hungarian, Turkish and Bulgarian flags. Not confused by asseverations, we progressed with firm decision, and we thus continue our progressed, always ready to defend ourselves and fight for our nation's existence for its free future and always ready to stretch out our hand for peace.

"Our strength has not made our ears deaf to our responsibility before God, before our own nation and before humanity. The declarations formerly made by us concerning our readiness for peace were evoked by our adversaries. Now we have advanced one step further in this direction.

"On Aug. 1, 1914, the emperor had personally to take the gravest decision which ever fell to the lot of a German sovereign, for mobilization which he was compelled to give as a

During these long and earnest years of war the emperor has been moved by a single thought: How peace peace could be restored to Safeguard Germany after the struggle in which she has fought victoriously.

"Nobody can testify better to this than I, who bear the responsibility for all actions of the government, in a deep moral and religious sense of duty towards his nation and, beyond it, towards humanity, the emperor now considers that the moment has come for official action towards peace.

"His majesty therefore, in complete harmony and in common with our allies, decided to propose to the hostile powers to enter into peace negotiations. This morning I transmitted a note to this effect to all the neutral powers which are watching over our interests and rights in the hostile states. I asked the representatives of Spain, the United States and Switzerland to forward that note.

"The same procedure has been adopted today in Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia. Other neutral states and his holiness the pope have been similarly informed."

Wednesday Steak Day

AT

Saunders' Market

Last week our Big Steak Sale was such a wonderful success that we have decided to make Wednesday of each week known as "Saunders' Steak Day."

Visit our store tomorrow, look over the big window display of steaks, note the heavy grade of beef cut from Corn-Fed Western Steers. Then compare our prices with the figures you are forced to pay elsewhere, and the result will prove that Saunders' Market can sell meats from 5 to 7 cents per pound less than any other store in Lowell.

No telephone orders taken, and no Steaks delivered at the price given in this advertisement.

Rump Steak — FANCY LONG CUTS .....22c; VERY BEST LONG CUTS, No higher price, lb. ..... 25c; SHORT CUTS RUMP, lb. 30c

Sirloin Steak — CHOICE CUTS, FANCY GRADE, lb. ..... 16c; VERY BEST CUTS. No higher price, lb. 23c

ROUND STEAK — 20c CUTS BOTTOM ROUND, lb.....15c; ROUND CUT THROUGH, lb. .....17c; 28c CUT TOP ROUND, lb. 23c

VEIN STEAK — JUST A MOMENT Where can you match this price in Lowell? lb..... 20c

VEAL STEAK, lb. 17c..... | HAMBURG, lb. .....10c | PORK STEAK, lb.....14c

BUTTER Pound 37c | Musketeer Flour 24½ lb. bag....$1.15; 98 lb. Cotton...$4.50; Bbl. in wood...$9.25 | EGGS Doz. 35c

PINK SALMON, Can.....10c STRING BEANS, Can .....7c SUGAR CORN, Can.....10c

THURSDAY ONLY FOR TWO HOURS 10 A. M. TO 12 NOON

Lamb To Stew lb 7c | FRESH SHOULDERS Lb. 12½c | Small Yearling Legs lb 10c

New Crop Tea, lb. .....21c | Fresh Roasted Coffee, lb. ..17c | Corn Flakes, pkg.....5c

Raisins, pkg. .....9c | Van Camp's Soup, Can .....7c | Condensed Milk, Can 10c

XMAS SALE----XMAS SALE

Big Mark-Downs at Our Xmas Sale

NOW GOING ON. HIGH COST OF LIVING WILL SUFFER BY A COMPARISON OF PRICES.

SUITS AT LESS THAN JANUARY PRICES

As you are aware suits have not been as popular, but customers are buying them every day. The broadcloths in suits on sale have advanced 50c per yard.

SUITS are now $12.75, $15.75, $19.75

QUALITIES AND VALUES WILL NOT BE MATCHED AGAIN.



The Christmas Shop of

RELIABLE FURS

The gift of furs so much depends on the quality. And the beauty of buying the gift here is the sureness that it will be exactly as represented.

MUFFS

$10.98, $15 to $25. Raccoon.....$8.75, $15 to $25
$15.75, $18.75 to $29 Beaver.....$10.98 to $25
$10.75, $15 to $18.75, Black Fox. $8.50, $12.75 to $35
$20, $27.50 to $50, Black Lynx, $15, $18 and $27.50
$15, $19.75 to $29.75, Hudson Seal. $7.50, $12.50 to $32.50

SCARFS

Complete Line of CHILDREN'S FURS

Raccoon Sets ..... $15, $25, $35 to $50
Red Fox Sets .....$14.98, $19.75, $23.50 to $75
Black Fox Sets .....$20, $27.50, $32.50 to $85
Cross Fox Sets ..... $65, $89 and $100
Hudson Seal Sets.....$22.50, $27.50 to $37.50
Blue Fox Sets $85

VISIT OUR BARGAIN BASEMENT ALIVE WITH XMAS GIFTS

BATHROBES, KIMONOS, RAINCOATS, CHILDREN'S COATS, CHILDREN'S DRESSES, ALL AT SPECIAL PRICES

CHERRY & WEBB

12-18 John Street

SOLD OUT TO FITZGERALD

Sarre Bros. have discontinued selling Pipes and have sold their stock of Pipes to me. This week I place the entire lot on sale at bargain prices. You know what that means when briar and amber are not to be had. Get in on these good things.

THOS. J. FITZGERALD

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An Investment in Lowell Real Estate

The major portion of both Stock and Bonds having been sold, we now offer to investors of Lowell the

First Mortgage 5% Bonds

of the

LOWELL BUILDING TRUST

Due July 1, 1941

Interest payable by coupon Jan. 1 and July 1

These bonds are secured by an absolute first mortgage on 20,370 square feet of land and a nine story reinforced concrete, fireproof building located on Middlesex Street, Lowell, Mass.

Six Per Cent. Stock

of the

Lowell Building Trust

Dividends payable by check semi-annually, Jan. 1 and July 1.

This stock represents the ownership of the above property.

Both bonds and stock are free of all taxes and neither the ownership of them nor the income derived from them will have to be disclosed under the new State Income Tax Law which goes into effect in 1917.

We recommend the purchase of

Bonds at 100 and accrued interest
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FUNERALS

DWYER—The funeral of the late Mrs. Eliza A. Dwyer took place this morning at 9.30 o'clock from her home, 140 Pleasant street and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The cortege proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church, where at 10 o'clock a solemn high mass of requiem was sung by the pastor, Rev. Lawrence Tighe, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. Fr. Healey, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. Fr. Mahon, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. There were many beautiful floral tributes including a pillow from husband, and pieces from mother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Dwyer, Mrs. E. Conroy, the Boyle family, Mr. and Mrs. James Dwyer, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Dwyer and family, Mr. and Mrs. William McNulty of Somerville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Riley and son, Aunt Mary of Stoneham, Mr. and Mrs. John McSorley, Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas, friends of Lowell police department, P. F. Atkinson, Miss Mary Farquharson, Mr. and Mrs. P. Harrington and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rourke, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Saunderhauf, Mr. John Bodkin and family, the Misses Emma and Carolyne Veilte of Somerville, the Misses Sweeney, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher McSorley, Mrs. Frederic Fleming, Mrs. Lawrence Mooney and family, the Dougherty family, Miss Julia Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Owen J. Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Mooney, Mrs. Elizabeth Crotty, Mr. and Mrs. William Sexton, Miss Catherine Tighe, Mr. Henry Tighe, Mrs. Marguerite Angier and family, Miss Mary Gleason, Mr. Daniel H. Walker and Miss Marguerite Tighe.

The bearers were Thomas F. Boyle, Eugene F. Malone, John Douglas, John F. McSorley, Patrick J. Mooney and John H. McNabb. At the grave Rev. Owen McQuade, O.M.I., read the committal prayers and the burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

QUINN—The funeral of the late Thos. H. Quinn took place this morning at 9.30 o'clock from his home, 1 West Burnside avenue, and was largely attended by sorrowing friends and relatives, including a number from out of town. Among the latter were Miss Bessie Quinn and Miss Bessie Cox of Boston, Frank Quinn of Lynn, Mass., Mrs. Samuel Sharples of Thorntons Ferry, N. H., Miss Elizabeth Cawley of New Bedford, Mass., Miss Annie Winn and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jones of Lawrence; also present at the services were Commissioner Charles H. Morse, Supt. of Streets John Blessington and Supt. of Sewers Patrick McGinn. The cortege proceeded to St. Michael's church, where at 9.45 o'clock a mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Henry Tatlan. There were many beautiful floral tributes, including a pillow inscribed "Father" from the family of deceased; wreath inscribed "Grandpa," Mrs. Mary Etta Keefe and family, and pieces from his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sharples, James A. Sheehan of Lowell and Frank Quinn of Lynn, Mass., O'Donnell families, warp and spool room of the Merrimack Mfg Co., Miss Mae Bradley, John C. Martin family, Misses Mary and Lilla Dooley, Mrs. William Keefe and family, Charles Kilbride, John F. Fogan, Thomas O'Brien, John Murphy, Martin Cordingly, John Curley, Mrs. John Nerney, Miss Julia Lane, Miss Mary Cox, Thomas M. O'Brien and Mrs. Charles H. Kimball. The bearers were Anthony McDermott, James McLean, Patrick Sharkey and James Gannon. At the grave Rev. Fr. Mullin read the committal prayers, and the burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

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Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div. To Boston Lve.	Arr.	From Boston Lve.	Arr.	Portland Div. To Boston Lve.	Arr.	From Boston Lve.	Arr.
5.28	6.50	2.55	2.38	6.35	7.30	9.15	10.32
[illegible]	7.20	6.00	7.03	7.54	8.45	10.50	11.53
6.47	7.50	26.35	8.17	9.40	10.53	11.50	12.55
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a7.28	8.42	8.45	9.49	5.14	6.44	6.40	7.57
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11.35	11.45	3.09	3.47				
12.15	1.37	b3.44	5.00				
11.27	2.40	4.00	4.30				
1.50	2.38	$4.14	5.34				
2.55	3.37	5.00	5.93				
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6.22	[illegible]	9.24	11.45				
8.15	8.57	10.30	11.37				
[illegible]	10.31	11.40	12.38				

Sunday Trains

Southern Division			
6.47	7.30	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.05	9.30	10.09
8.25	9.31	11.30	12.09
9.14	10.06	1.00	1.59
10.20	11.17	5.30	6.21
2.52	3.35	7.15	8.20
5.13	6.00	8.00	8.39
6.23	7.16	8.30	9.08
8.15	8.57	9.20	10.25
8.45	9.58	10.20	11.35
9.45	10.40		

Portland Division			
8.20	9.30	8.00	9.18
12.07	1.16	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.06	3.30	4.45
5.45	7.00	5.30	6.33
8.55	10.04	8.45	9.47

b Via Bedford. s Via Salem Jct. z Via Wilmington Jct. n not run on Holidays. h Saturdays only.

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1 All box numbers commencing with the figure one, as 12, 13, etc., up to 171 are located within a radius of about one-half mile from the North common, extending from Dutton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.

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3 All box numbers commencing with three, are located in the lower Highlands, extending from the depot to Wilder street and from Hale street along the line of Western avenue and Pawtucket canal to Pawtucket street.

4 All box numbers commencing with four, are located in the Ayer's City and Bleachery districts, extending from Edson cemetery northerly to Hale street and from Chelmsford street easterly to Concord river.

5 All numbers commencing with five, are located in the upper Highlands and Middlesex Village.

6 All numbers commencing with six, are located in Centralville.

7 All numbers commencing with seven, are located in Pawtucketville.

8 All numbers commencing with eight, are located in Belvidere.

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LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Catherine M. Mahoney, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Mary J. Mahoney, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

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BOSTON TERRIER, female, lost; black with white nose and breast. Return to Dr. McLean, Traders Bank building. Reward.

SEAL FUR COLLAR lost Friday, Dec. 8, on Gorham st. jitney or between Gorham and 181 Moore st. Reward. Tel. 475-R.

THREE GAMES IN WATERHEAD LEAGUE

Three interesting and well contested bowling matches were rolled in the Waterhead league on the Middlesex alleys last evening. Teams One, Six and Five outrolled Teams Three, Two and Four, respectively. Buchanan of Team One had the best total and Ecklund of Team Two made the highest single string.

In two games rolled on the Merrimack alleys in the Broadway league, the Bandits beat the Red Sox by one pin, and the Indians defeated the Bunnys.

Waterhead League

TEAM 1

Shafter	93	97	96	286
Lane	85	103	83	271
Fletcher	88	98	83	269
Selstedt	86	89	100	275
Buchanan	97	104	90	291
Totals	449	491	452	1392

TEAM 3

Fuller	94	77	92	263
Parker	65	61	77	203
Field	82	82	79	243
Boyle	82	76	79	237
McElroy	82	85	90	257
Totals	405	391	417	1203

TEAM 2

Hartley	78	78	66	222
Bax	74	71	80	225
McDonough	69	88	78	235
Ecklund	82	91	111	284
T. Collins	72	68	97	237
Totals	375	396	432	1203

TEAM 6

Pearson	89	89	95	273
Larson	61	81	63	205
Leigh	108	83	76	267
Erickson	95	95	98	288
Shepard	89	88	93	270
Totals	449	436	425	1303

TEAM FOUR

	1	2	3	T'ls
Hansen	71	67	67	205
Burke	92	79	84	255
Hildreth	83	79	80	242
R. Collins	83	81	80	244
Barber	76	85	81	242
Totals	405	391	392	1188

TEAM FIVE

Ward	89	84	85	258
Hughes	80	80	72	232
Anderson	80	86	73	239
Angelo	80	91	83	254
Lindquist	94	93	98	285
Totals	423	434	411	1268

Broadway League

RED SOX

	1	2	3	T'ls
J. Shugrue	77	92	89	258
T. Smith	83	111	104	298
Broadbent	94	98	88	280
Kane	76	85	78	239
Griffin	102	96	89	287
Totals	432	482	448	1362

BANDITS

McMahon	94	75	105	274
Murphy	77	81	87	245
Flynn	94	95	84	273
Donovan	87	103	93	283
J. O'Brien	97	95	98	290
Totals	429	449	467	1363

INDIANS

Cadden	96	84	99	279
J. Donovan	108	83	96	287
Lynch	79	91	86	256
Turgeon	82	101	80	273
Teague	89	86	87	262
Totals	454	445	490	1348

BUNNYS

Roarke	71	82	80	233
Hamp	77	70	67	214
Morrison	112	84	83	279
Kelly	84	86	91	261
R. O'Brien	101	112	110	323
Totals	445	434	431	1310

Les Miserables League

WOODBINES

A. Chappelle	86	88	107	281
C. Kenefick	95	84	91	240
T. Cardin	93	84	80	257
J. Jedom	105	99	93	297
J. Buckley	104	108	90	292
Totals	453	463	461	1407

WAUSHAKUMS

T. Clark	77	104	85	266
E. Preston	81	110	96	287
J. King	98	83	91	272
F. Gillis	92	89	96	277
A. Doyle	107	95	112	314
Totals	455	481	480	1416

STALLINGS SLATED TO MANAGE CUBS

FRED MITCHELL MAY REPLACE HIM AS HEAD OF THE BOSTON BRAVES

According to a rumor which had its origin at the big baseball meeting in New York city, the question of Manager George Stallings of the Boston Braves being sold to Chicago to lead the Cubs is being earnestly discussed. If Stallings is allowed to go, it is understood, Fred Mitchell will succeed him in the Braves' camp.

A long conference was held yesterday afternoon and evening in the Harvard Varsity club, New York city, between President Weegham of the Chicago Cubs and President Haughton of the Braves. Stallings is willing to go to Chicago, and the Boston club is said to be holding off to get more out of the deal. President Haughton is understood to be anxious to see Mitchell in charge of the Braves.

CHANGES PROPOSED IN WORLD'S SERIES

IT IS SUGGESTED THAT NINE GAMES BE PLAYED INSTEAD OF SEVEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Many subjects of considerable baseball interest were discussed informally by the big league magnates here yesterday. One of the chief topics was proposed changes in the rules governing the world's series.

Several of the owners expressed the opinion that radical changes would be adopted by the National league and submitted to the American league for ratification.

Garry Herrman, chairman of the national baseball commission and president of the Cincinnati club, stated that he was heartily in favor of playing the 1917 series under an entirely different system.

Herrman said he advocated a series based upon the winning of five out of nine games, lower prices of admission, and the distribution of a portion of the players' share of the receipts among members of the second, third and fourth teams in the order of their finish at the close of the pennant race.

He said he believed that with the series lengthened there would be greater opportunity for the fans from all parts of the country to see the games, and admission charges could be lowered without lessening the aggregate receipts.

WEST AND KELLY IN DRAW

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 12.—Chick West of Holyoke and Harlem Eddie Kelly fought a 12-round draw last night. It was a slambang bout all the way. West's punches in several of the rounds rocked Kelly's head frequently, while the same was true of the Holyoke boy.

The card was one of the best here this season. The semi final between Fighting Pat Flynn and Young Disco, both of this city, was a thriller. Buck Daley of Holyoke bested Babe Lamere of North Adams in the preliminary.

CORNELL ELECTS SHIVERICK

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Fritz Shiverick, Cornell's star quarterback, last night was elected captain of the 1917 Cornell football team.

HAVERHILL WANTS MORE

The members of the Haverhill high football squad have been instructed to remain in training in preparation for two post-season engagements, one possibly with Brookline high and one with the Manchester, N. H., high team. The latter tied Haverhill several weeks ago. If the Haverhill management will agree a game will be played next Saturday.

Brookline high does not seem partial to any more football, as it broke training Nov. 30.

PHINNEY BOYLE HAS BUSY WEEK

Phinney Boyle, the local lightweight, has two stiff engagements for this week. Tonight at Boston, Boyle will attempt to take Mickey Donnelly, who hails from Newark, N. J., into camp, while on Thursday he will renew acquaintances with Larry Hansen at Lawrence.

Donnelly is slated to cause the local lad considerable trouble during the twelve rounds that the bout is scheduled to go, as he has fought nearly all the leading featherweights in the east with varied successes. He is described as a rushing, tearing sort of boxer who delights in having his opponent mix with him, but he will not get Phinney to trade wallops as Boyle realizes that his speed and cleverness will enable him to secure verdicts over men of the boring type.

According to accounts, Boyle will need all of his cleverness if he is to keep out of the way of the wild punches. Donnelly delights in swinging and hooking about with painful results if they land on his opponent. The Newark boy has a long list of knockouts attached to his record, that is, he has hung the sleep punch on his opponents' chin.

Boyle reports that he is in excellent shape for the coming encounters and says that he will win both fights as he feels confident that inside boxing will offset a rugged fighter nine times out of ten. Both Hansen and Donnelly are sluggers pure and simple and Boyle will have his work cut out for him if he cops the decision over two such classy men.

Joe Eagan of South Boston will meet Jeff Smith of New Jersey, in the final twelve round bout and if Eagan has one of his goods nights, he will cause Smith much worry. Smith has fought all over the world and is one of the choice few that have annexed a win over that wonderful Australian Les Darcy. He recently gave Mike Gibbons a strenuous argument at St. Paul.

Gardner Brooks of this city is also listed for a bout tonight, Jack Sharkey of New York, will be his vis-a-vis at the Pioneer Sporting club and some fight ought to develop if the local bantamweight is in fine fettle. Brooks has not participated in a ring go since Mike Brown defeated him in this city last Spring and the long layoff will probably affect his distance. If he defeats Sharkey, Brooks has been promised a mill with one of the topnotch bantams at the same club and Gardner will be out there trying all the time for the coveted prize.

BOX 12 ROUND DRAW

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 12.—Jimmy Farren of Boston and Kid Lee of Chelsea battled 12 fast and clever rounds last night at the Congress A.C., with the general opinion that it was a draw. Charlie Pearson of Providence drew with "Dusty" Krool of Fort Williams in six rounds, and Kid Johnson of Portland quit after getting a beating from Dave Bolte of Fort Williams in one round.

THE FAME OF WHISTLER

A very pleasant time was enjoyed at the Whistler house last evening when many members of the Art association gathered to hear an informal talk by Frank Edwin Elwell, the sculptor who spoke before the Women's club in the afternoon. Mr. Elwell said that the fame of Whistler is a proof that the theories voiced at the club were true as the artist in the man has blotted out all the mean, petty or superficial things that critics and biographers have made so much of. He said that the picture of Carlyle is the greatest portrait since the days of Botticelli, and among the greatest names in the roll of truly American artists are Whistler, Inness, LaFarge and St. Gaudens. An informal reception was held and refreshments were served by the hospitality committee.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

CARPENTIER WANTS TWO CHANGES IN CONTRACT

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Tex Rickard, who with Samuel McCracken, is negotiating for a 10-round bout between Jess Willard, the heavyweight champion of the world, and Georges Carpentier of France, Europe's premier heavyweight boxer, announced yesterday that a cablegram had arrived in which the French boxer expressed himself as willing to oppose Willard provided that several changes were made in the contract forwarded to Paris. This is the first definite word that has been received from the French heavyweight since the announcement that negotiations were under way for the bout. At that time it was announced that contracts had been sent to Paris for Carpentier's signature and a reply was expected daily.

The changes referred to in the cablegram received had to do with the division of the motion picture money and the amount of expense money allowed the French boxer. These did not satisfy him, and Mr. Rickard authorized a reply to the effect that the changes would be made, so that the contract would be acceptable to the French heavyweight.

Mr. Rickard also announced that he knew definitely that Les Darcy, the Australian boxer, was on his way to this country. "I have received positive information that Darcy is on board the steamship Hattie Luckenbach," said the western promoter, "and I expect soon to hear that he has landed safely in this country." This clears up the mystery that has surrounded the whereabouts of Darcy since the news of his leaving Australia was first made public.

Asked what progress he had made toward securing a lease of Madison Sq. garden, Mr. Rickard said:

"The matter is not settled, and I do not believe it will be for several days."

KILBANE OUTBOXES MILLER

Latter Was Lucky to Avoid Knockout in Twelve Rounds of Milling in Ohio Last Night

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 12.—Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion, outboxed, outgeneraled and outclassed Alvie Miller of Lorain in a 12-round bout here last night.

The early rounds were tame, but from the sixth round on Kilbane tried to land a knockout, only to have his efforts cancelled by the persistent tendency of Miller to cover and go into his shell.

LEAGUE OWNERS DEFY NATIONAL COMMISSION

BALK ON PAYMENT OF NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO BROOKLYN NATIONAL CLUB

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—At their annual meeting yesterday the International league owners threw down the gauntlet and defied the national commission, regarded as the supreme court in organized baseball.

After considerable discussion it was decided not to abide by the rules of the commission which would compel the Newark club to pay $9000 to the Brooklyn baseball club owners.

Originally, Charles Ebbets, on behalf of the Brooklyn club owners, made a claim of $71,000 on the Newark club for its International league franchise, and the national commission finally ordered the Newark club to pay $9000.

When Pres. Barrow of the International league announced this action, after the meeting had adjourned yesterday, he was asked if his organization intended to defy the ruling of the national commission, and he simply replied:

"I have just told you what action the league has taken in the matter and have nothing more to say."

The International league delegates endorsed the efforts of the National Association of Minor Leagues to have the three Class AA clubs relieved from the draft rule. J. Calewina, Oakland, Cal.; Pres. John T. Hickey, American association, and Pres. Barrow were appointed at the recent convention at New Orleans as a committee for this purpose and in furtherance of this request they will call upon the National league delegates at their meeting here today. They will leave for Chicago tonight in order to bring the matter before the annual meeting of the American league there on Thursday.

LANNIN HAS MORTGAGE ON RED SOX CLUB

"BRONCHO BILL" ANDERSON SAID TO BE BACKING FRAZEE AND WARD IN PURCHASE

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Baseball men say that the backer of Frazee and Ward in the purchase of the champion Boston Red Sox is "Broncho Bill" Anderson of movie fame. This information comes from several American league men who have been investigating the sale of the Red Sox by Joseph J. Lannin to H. H. Frazee, Hugh Ward and Willie Collier, the actor.

Frazee and Ward already have seen Ban Johnson here and, it is said, they have admitted Anderson's part in the big deal. When the American league meets on Thursday the sale of the Red Sox probably will be confirmed and the new owners will be formally admitted. President Johnson's circuit is in a flourishing condition and with the exception of the Red Sox case, only routine business will occupy the time of the club owners.

They will also adopt the new form of player's contract by a unanimous vote and also will instruct Johnson to vote for Herrmann's re-election to the commission.

J. J. Lannin is out of the Red Sox, but he retains a mortgage for nearly half the sale price of the ball club. However, it is expected that this indebtedness will be largely reduced within a year.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF GOLF ASSOCIATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Every active club in the United States Golf association was urged to send a delegate to the annual meeting of the association here Jan. 12 in a letter sent out by Howard F. Whitney, secretary of the association. Mr. Whitney instructs the clubs that matters of "vital importance" need careful consideration and that it is essential to the sport that every club be represented. It is hoped that the question over the present amateur rule may be threshed out to a final and definite conclusion.

In addition the delegates will be asked to vote upon the courses which have been suggested for the three national tournaments. Five clubs, all in the west, are in line for the national amateur event. These include the Flossmoor Country club, Flossmoor, Ill.; Glenview club, Golf, Ill.; Kent Country club, Grand Rapids, Mich., and the Oakmont Country club, Hulton, Allegheny county, Pa.

In the open tournament the delegates will be asked to select from the following five courses: Brae Burn Country club, West Newton, Mass.; Fox Hills Golf club, Stapleton, N. Y.; Shawnee Country club, Shawnee-on-the-Delaware, Pa.; Shenecossett Country club, New London, Conn., and Whitemarsh Country club, Chestnut Hill, Pa.

SPORTING NEWS

That Lowell sports appreciate good racing, regardless of the outcome, was demonstrated last week, when Nobes and Burke appeared in three roller skating races. Nobes won all events, but the fact that Burke put up a game fight, and gave the Lowell boy a battle all the way appealed to the crowd and all were loud in their praise for the plucky exhibition put up by the Bridgeport man.

Lowell may soon have an opportunity of seeing the world's champion roller skater. Manager Moore of the local rink is conducting negotiations with [illegible], the title holder, despite the fact that the champion in his first reply almost wanted the rink in return for his presence here. Another proposition was submitted to him which the local rink manager thinks that if he desires to risk his title, he cannot refuse to accept.

A running race between Tony Ocaura of the Mathews and James Crowe of the C.M.A.C. Cadets against Fred Connors of the Bellevue club will be the next attraction at the Rollaway.

Lowell bowlers are enjoying a good season, and all the alleys report a brisk business.

The proposed bout between Georges Carpentier and Jess Willard is attracting considerable attention.

Lowell boxers are again in the limelight, with Boyle, Brooks and Sheppard in condition and ready to meet any men in the country at their respective weights.

Jimmy Gardner, who a few years ago was one of the best boxers in the game, is [illegible] fired with the intention [illegible] comeback. His many Lowell admirers wish him success, and sincerely hope [illegible] he will be able to show the ability that made him famous and feared by all men of his weight in the country. Lowell friends of Jimmie, who have seen him lately, declare he is in the pink of condition. His health is excellent and training does not tire him in the least.

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DR. HARRINGTON DEAD

Word has come to this city of the death in Grand Junction, Col., of Dr. Robert Brine Harrington, who spent a term at the Tewksbury State hospital about 10 years ago after having completed his medical studies at Tufts Medical college. He was the son of Mrs. Frances Brine Harrington and the late John Harrington, and was born in Somerville. He leaves a wife and twin daughters. At the time of his death he was county and city physician at Grand Junction.

IN BOSTON

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TWO CHILDREN BURN TO DEATH

Relative Tried In Vain to Save Them at North Pelham, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Sleeper, Formerly of Lowell, Lost Home

NORTH PELHAM, N. H. Dec. 12.—Paul Edwin Sleeper, aged 6, and his brother(Grahem, aged 5, children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Sleeper, were burned to death by a fire in their home last night, supposedly caused by the capsizing of an oil lamp, and the Sleeper bungalow, into which the family moved only Sunday, was burned to the ground. The loss is estimated at $1000 and there is no insurance.

Sleeper has been a resident of the town for several years and is highly respected. He works nights as an engineer for the Ntshua Gummed and Coated Paper Company and was almost overcome when notified by telephone of the tragedy. He had built the bunalow himself, out of his own savings. It is on the Mammouth road, connecting Concord and Lo-

Mrs. Sleeper had left home at 6 last evening to visit the home of her brother, Joseph Selvas, nearby. She had just left the Selvas home for her own, about 6.30, when her daughter Ethel, aged 7, came running toward her in night clothes, dragging her younger sister, Rena, 1½ years old. Seeing her mother she screamed that the house was afire and Mrs Sleeper ran toward the house.

When she tried to enter it, she was partly overcome by the flames and smoke. Selvas meantime had arrived and he vainly tried to rescue the children. He fell unconscious, and before he was brought out he had suffered minor burns about the body. After an hour's work, Dr. Henry O. Smith of Hudson revived him, but he is still in bad shape, having inhaled smoke and flames. Selvas is at the home of Dr. John Blackman, nearer the scene of the fire, where he was brought at first.

The Sleepers and the two children were taken in by Mrs. Ellen Woods, a neighbor. The Sleepers came here several years ago from Lowell, Mass. The bodies of the two children, burnt beyond recognition, were taken out of the debris after the fire subsided and were taken in charge by an undertaker.

LICENSE BIG FEATURE IN LAWRENCE

LAWRENCE, Dec. 12.—Although it is an "off year" in the sense that no mayor is to be elected this year, today's election promises to be a spirited one here. Active interest is being displayed in each of the contests to be balloted on, both sides in each have made arrangements to bring out a big vote and there is every indication of a total of over 10,000 votes being cast. An active campaign started here since Haverhill, Salem and Fall River went dry and has stirred the license forces to activity, and it is expected that there will be a heavy vote cast on the license question. Last year the majority in favor of license was materially larger than the preceding year but the no-license forces are endeavoring to reverse conditions this year, especially since Haverhill went dry, and they claim there is a strong livelihood of Lowell doing likewise.

THE LOWELL GUILD

At the meeting of the Lowell Guild, held in the guild home, Dutton street, yesterday afternoon, a large attendance heard the reading of the monthly report by Miss Holland, the superintendent. Miss Edith Stott, president, presided. A summary of the report is as follows:

The total number of nursing visits caring for the sick in ohe homes was 984; milk station calls instruction in the homes, 304; pre-natal visits, 25; babies at conference, 50; new babies taken on, breast fed 6, home modification 14, station modification 5; material relief, milk quarts 711, grocery orders 19; co-operating agencies, Knights of Columbus Guild, truant officer, Anti-Tuberculosis league, Humane society, Lowell Social Service league, police station, Lowell General hospital, Lowell hospital; clothing given, three boxes women's clothing, three boxes children's clothing, one baby's outfit, five pairs shoes, one baby carriage.

Talks given on personal health and personal hygiene: Barry Shoe shop, Ipswich hosiery, Hatch's box shop, Miss Martin's Camp Fire Girls, St. Anne's Camp Fire Firls, care of the baby and modification of milk, Vocational school.

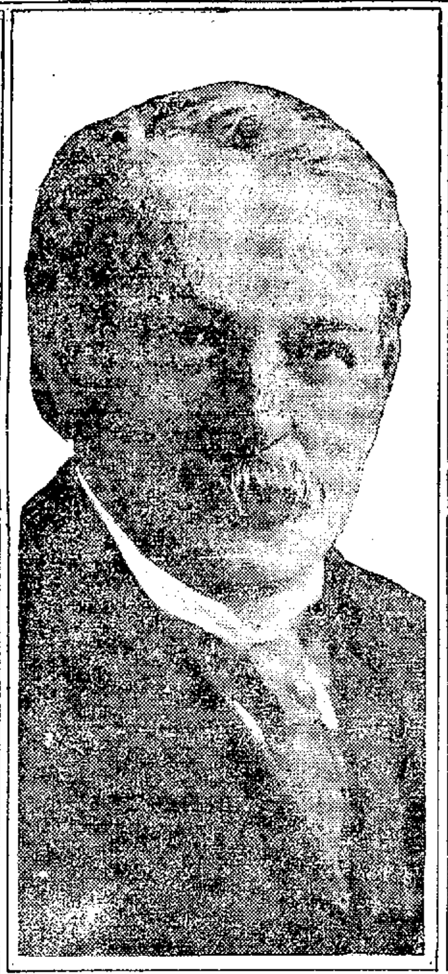
Attention is called again to the value of visiting nurse associations and milk stations in making people realize that intelligent care means not only life, but also health and happiness, to many people who would otherwise suffer seriously.

The sum of $700 has been received from subscriptions and more is expected before Jan. 1. Cordial support for this work is earnestly solicited, as the object of the milk station especially is the conservation of the next generation through the prevention of the needless waste of infant life.

BRITISH EMPIRE AT WAR WILL BE RUN BY FIVE MEN, LLOYD GEORGE AT HEAD


ARTHUR HENDERSON


LORD CURZON


LLOYD-GEORGE


BONAR LAW


LORD MILNER

Concentrating the direction of the British end of the war in the hands of five men—Premier David Lloyd George, Lord President of the Council Earl Curzon (to be government leader in the house of lords), Chancellor of the Exchequer Andrew Bonar Law (to be government leader in the house of commons), Arthur Henderson and Lord Milner (the last two ministers without folio)—places far more power in the hands of the prime minister than the British governmental system has ever known before. Mr. Lloyd George's proposals to Premier Asquith were for a war council, of which the premier could not be a member, although he should have the power of passing on its work. Mr. Lloyd George has not hesitated to place himself in the position more closely resembling a dictatorship than he was willing to give his predecessor.

David Lloyd George was denounced in Tory circles just before the war began as the man who was "dragging the country to the dogs" by his "socialist" measures.

Starting life as an inconspicuous Welsh solicitor, he escaped notice until 1890, when, at the age of thirty-seven, he entered parliament as member from Carnavon, Wales. Five years later he was appointed a member of the Campbell-Bannerman cabinet, holding the portfolio of president of the board of trade. When Asquith became premier in April, 1908, Lloyd George took over the portfolio of chancellor of the exchequer, where he soon became the best hated enemy of the Tories and a popular idol of the people at large.

Since then he has grown in popular esteem and power until he was looked upon as the logical leader for the kingdom in the present crisis.

Andrew Bonar Law, who has been a member of parliament for sixteen years, was an iron merchant and formerly a member of the firms of William Kidstons & Sons and William Jacks & Co., both of Glasgow. He was born in Canada and is the first colonial to head the Unionist party.

Mr. Law was appointed secretary of state for the colonies in the coalition cabinet formed last year after being leader of the opposition in the house of commons since 1911.

Lord Curzon, who is fifty-seven years old, has had long experience in foreign affairs, his most important post being viceroy of India, where he served during 1899-1905. Prior to this he had been undersecretary of state for India and later for foreign affairs. He has been lord of the privy seal of England since 1915. Since the beginning of the war he has been active in the recruiting campaign. He was married to an American, Miss Leiter, who died, and his engagement to another American, a widow, has been announced.

Arthur Henderson, leader of the Labor party in the house of commons, resigned from the Asquith cabinet, in which he held the post of president of the board of education, in August of this year. On Nov. 8 he was appointed minister of pensions, a newly created post made necessary by the war. He started life as a molder in the works of Robert Stephenson & Co. Mr. Henderson has been a member of parliament since 1903, and during 1908-10 was chairman of the parliamentary Labor party.

Lord Milner, who was among those mentioned as successor to Lord Kitchener as secretary for war, has long been identified with Egypt and South Africa. He has held a distinguished record as a colonial administrator, and he has been one of the leading advocates of conscription.

GREEK ARMY TO RESIST ALLIES

King Constantine Has Over 10,000 Troops Ready In Athens

Looks for German Thrust In Macedonia—Important Speech

BERLIN, via Tuckerton, Dec. 12—The centre of military gravity has shifted suddenly to Greece, where further developments are awaited here with the keenest interest. Wireless communication with Athens has been re-established and a wireless report reaching Sofia gives the following survey of the situation:

King Constantine has, in Athens alone, over 10,000 troops loyal to him. Reservists and volunteers are hurrying to the colors all over Greece. Their number should soon reach 100,000. The feeling in Greece against the entente is strained almost to the breaking point. A single thoughtless act or new tactlessness on the part of the allies may cause an explosion. It is confidently hoped in Greek government circles that events will shortly take place in Macedonia which will liberate Greece from the clutches of the entente and make a quick end of the critical situation."

Expectation is keyed to the highest pitch in this connection by the sudden summoning of the reichstag and the announcement that the chancellor will deliver an important speech on the military and political situation today. Political circles here are indulging in the liveliest speculation as to what the chancellor will disclose.

It is known that the visit of King Leopold of Bavaria to headquarters, whence the chancellor, too, has just returned, is connected with the forthcoming announcement. That something of almost unprecedented moment is in the wind is further indicated by the kaiser at this time conferring the grand iron cross on Hindenburg, together with a personal letter of a warmth calculated to make a tremendous effect on public opinion. While it is understood the chancellor will go exhaustively into the military situation in Roumania, it is said that this is by no means the main theme of his heralded speech.

The Berlin Gazette is able to say in connection with the chancellor's speech, that events now occurring in the southeast had caused the government to plan summoning the reichstag as soon as they had sufficiently progressed, but that developments had come so much faster than was expected that it was decided to call the reichstag together sooner than was planned. The chancellor is expected to disclose certain information of both military and political nature of the utmost importance for the further development of the general political situation.

PUT U. S. NAVY'S NEEDS AHEAD

Secretary Daniels Asks Authority Over Steel Plants

Drastic Defense Measures to Be Urged Upon Congress

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The attention of congress was directed sharply yesterday to matters relating to both the army and navy, which are expected to be productive of agitation for even more drastic measures of national defense than have yet been seriously considered.

Secretary Daniels before the house naval committee advocated legislation which would compel steel companies and other private concerns to give preference to government orders for military supplies. He will submit a new section for the pending naval appropriation bill for this purpose in order to hasten battleship construction, which, he declared, was being delayed by commercial work both in the yards of private builders and in the steel plants.

Secretary Baker wrote Speaker Clark in response to a house resolution that 71,834 out of the grand total of 163,800 National Guardsmen taken into the federal service up to Aug. 31, were without previous military training. Rejections of enrolled guardsmen for various causes operated later to increase the number of raw recruits to approximately 60 per cent. of the force.

To The British Cabinet Crisis

In this connection also, army officers charged with the duty of studying events of the European war, both political and military, made preparations to contend before the congressional military commission that the fundamental reason for the cabinet crisis in England was the volunteer military policy there prior to the passage of the conscription act.

The experience of Great Britain is viewed by these officers as the strongest argument for the establishment of universal military training in the United States as urged in the report of Maj. Gen. Hugh Scott, chief of staff, and to which the entire American general staff is committed.

Another aspect of the National Guard situation came from Quartermaster-General Sharpe, who told of a $25,000,000 deficiency incurred by the war department to equip any pay state troops now in the federal service. If an average of 75,000 men are retained on the border until June 30, he said, the deficiency will be $50,000,000. The universal training advocates are expected to use these figures in contending that prohibitive cost would be the result of the present system if the nation needed a great army.

Delays in Naval Program

Secretary Daniels explained to the naval committee a statement in his annual report as to the delays encountered in getting the building program authorized by the last session under construction. He pointed out that no satisfactory bids have been received for the four battle cruisers of the 1917 battle program, nor any bids at all for three of the four scout cruisers. They are new types, but vitally necessary, in the opinion of the general board, the secretary said, and added:

"Every time we make a change and advancement in design, the shipbuilders want to stick to the old plans."

The secretary will ask $6,000,000 a year for the equipment of government yards to build ships. He inserted a statement in the committee record showing his approval of the general board's recommendations for 12-gun, 23-knot, 12,000-ton battleships in the 1918 program at a probable cost per hull and machinery alone of $15,000,000 each. The ships will carry 16-inch 50-calibre guns, the most powerful weapons ever designed for naval use, mounted three to a turret.

Would Promote Boatswain Hill

The secretary recommended abolition of the naval prison at Portsmouth, N. H., and the establishment there of a marine barracks for 1000 men. He said that marine detachments from the Naval academy, the Boston and New York navy yards and elsewhere would be concentrated at the new post, while the prisoners would be sent to the prison ship Southery at Portsmouth.

Mr. Daniels praised the services of Boatswain Hill, commanding the Southery, and approved a suggestion by Representative Roberts that he be made a commander in the navy by act of congress.

Extension of facilities for enlisted men to enter the Naval academy was urged by the secretary, but he disapproved the suggestion for early graduation of midshipmen to fill vacancies in the service. He intimated that he might ask later that the pay of all enlisted men on first enlistment be raised to encourage recruiting, but did not go into details.

FRANK EDWIN ELWELL AT WOMEN'S CLUB

Frank Edwin Elwell of New York, the noted sculptor who made the Lilley and Bonney monuments in the Lowell cemetery, kindly consented to fill in an open date at the Middlesex Women's club yesterday afternoon. His talk was entitled "Why Honesty is the Soul of Art," and in the development of his theme he stated many original ideas on a great variety of subjects. The central idea of his talk was the need for art appreciation in America and more especially the need for appreciation of American art and American artists.

"We live in a house of clay," said Mr. Elwell, and it is hard to see the ideal. Yet, there have always been periods of art. There was the stone age, the iron age, the copper age, and the golden age, and now we have the tin can age. No nation can hope to perpetuate itself without some form of art, and there are great possibilities for are in this country. Why, then, cannot we have an age of art in America? One of the difficulties, he thinks, is the system of education, and we keep adding to its details of throwing away the discard."

The lecturer said that it is a sad opportunity on public taste that our wealthy men run after second rate junk from Europe instead of helping artists of real genius here at home. In its great haste to make money and to enjoy itself in a mad round of pleasures America has forgotten beauty and lacks the repose which is necessary for the cultivation of art. "There was a promise with St. Gaudens and Inness but "they have passed into the next room and we are back to the junk heap." A few, he said, educated at Ecole des Beaux Arts, try to keep alive the tradition, but there is little encouragement. He would have museums for American art only in every city instead of the "museums of faked masterpieces" that are now so common.

Mr. Elwell said that in the cultivation of art and the ideals of art is one of the hopes of the future race, because it is contrary to the spirit that brought about the present. War, he said, is degradation and is not patriotism and if the soldiers realized their personal dignity and their relation to the Supreme they would throw down their arms and let the rulers fight it out alone. He sees a happy change coming and things that "soon it will be as popular to go to the studio of a living American painter as to patronize some foreign Barnum of the artistic profession who comes here to be lionized by American society. The Greeks gave the world the highest ideal of physical beauty and America can give the world the greatest spiritual beauty.

In conclusion he spoke of the spirit of art and the instincts of the real artists, bringing his talk up to a revert climax and oftentimes steering a courageous course through controversial subject. His lecture bristled with epigrams and though one might be inclined to question some of his deductions he spoke throughout with force, originality and distinction.

W. E. SWIFT ELECTED MAYOR OF AUGUSTA

DEMOCRATS ELECT MAYOR AND ALDERMEN AT WESTBORO MAINE

AUGUSTA, Dec. 12— Willis E. Swift, republican, was elected mayor of Augusta for two years yesterday by a plurality of 761 over E. Maynard Thompson, democrat, and Calvin Carr, independent. The vote: Swift, 1617; Thompson, [illegible]; Carr, 26. The aldermen-elect are: Oscar P. Anderson, Vergil T. Trecartin, Henry O. Paradee, J. D. Blanchette, Charles E. Pattbrick, Arthur G. Hopkins and Burton [illegible], republicans, and [illegible], democrat.

WESTBROOK, Dec. 12— Oscar K. Robinson, democrat, was elected mayor of Westbrook yesterday over Hugh A. [illegible], republican, who had a plurality of [illegible] a year ago. The democrats elected all three aldermen at large and four of the [illegible] ward aldermen. The board elected last year, nine republicans and four democrats.

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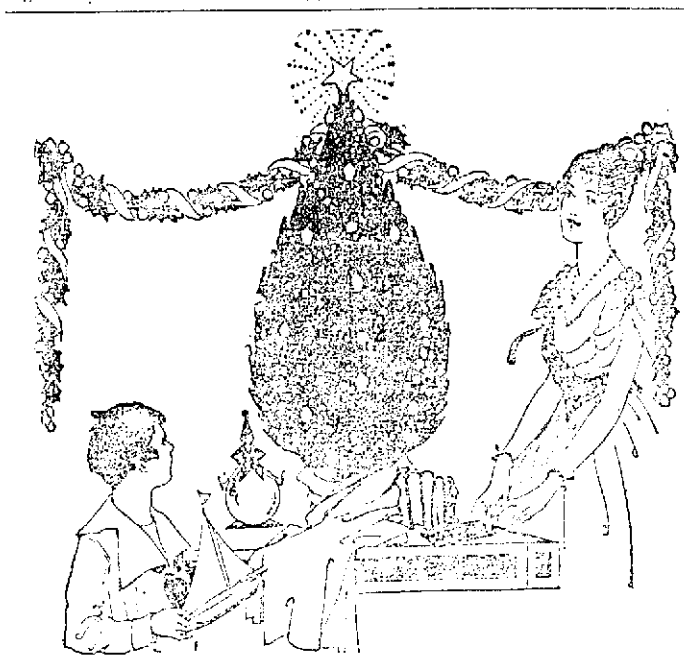
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PEACE TERMS

Germany, Austria, Turkey and Bulgaria Send Notes to Neutral Nations and the Vatican Expressing Readiness "to Enter Forthwith on Peace Negotiations"—Terms Said to Propose Restoration of the Status Quo Before War With the Exception of Establishment of Independent Kingdoms of Poland and Lithuania

BERLIN, Dec. 11, via wireless to Sayville—Germany and her allies today proposed to enter forthwith into peace negotiations. The propositions which they will bring forward are, according to Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, appropriate for the establishment of a lasting peace. The Austrian, Turkish and Bulgarian governments are making similar proposals. These proposals have been transmitted also to the Vatican.

The following announcement was given out today by the semi-official Overseas News agency:

"The chancellor this morning received one after another the representatives of the United States of America and Spain and Switzerland—that is, of the states protecting German interests in hostile foreign countries. The chancellor transmitted to them a note and asked them to bring it to the knowledge of the hostile governments. The note will be read today in the reichstag by the chancellor.

"In the note the four allied (central) powers propose to enter forwith on peace negotiations.

"The propositions which they bring for such negotiations are, according to their firm belief, appropriate for the establishment of a lasting peace.

"The governments at Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia transmitted identical notes and also communicated with the Holy See and all other neutral powers.

CHANCELLOR'S SPEECH

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech in the reichstag on the peace proposals will be found on page ten, fourth column.

GERMANY'S PEACE TERMS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Advices from Berlin to the German embassy indicate that Germany's peace terms, in general measure propose the restoration of the status quo before the war with the exception of the establishment of independent kingdoms of Poland and Lithuania. They are un-

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MAYOR AND MORSE DON'T AGREE ON STREET CONSTRUCTION

A noted difference of opinion recently developed between Mayor O'Donnell and Commissioner Charles F. Morse in the matter of using tar in street construction so late in the season. The mayor wrote a letter to the commissioner in which he stated that he was informed by men who knew that the weather was too cold to use either oil or tar and that the practice ought to be stopped.

"When I received that letter," said Commissioner Morse this morning, "I was macadamizing Daniels street off Andover, and was about quarter way through. I took no notice of the letter because I knew what I was doing and that I was right I kept right on and finished Daniels street, and I would

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SUPERIOR COURT

Case Against Martina A. Gage Went to the Jury This Afternoon—One Juror Ill

The case of Vida S. Walker, administratrix, vs. Martina A. Gage was given to the jury for deliberation in the local session of the superior court this afternoon after nearly five days of trial. At the opening of court this forenoon arguments were made by the respective attorneys and Judge Keating's charge was made this afternoon. The defence argued that the death of Benjamin Hirst, Mrs. Walker's father, was not caused by the accident six months before, as was claimed by the plaintiff.

But 11 jurors decided the case as the 12th, who sat for the five days hearing the evidence, was ill this morning and did not report. Counsel for both sides agreed to allow 11 men to return a verdict rather than delay the case any longer, and this was agreeable to court.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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EAGLES, NOTICE

All members of Lowell Aerie are requested to be present at the home of our late brother, Clement Cyr, 482 Moody street, tonight at 7.30 o'clock, where the exercises of our order will be held.

Per order,
PATRICK J. McCANN, W. Pres
JOHN M. HOGAN, Sec.

SUIT FOR $1000 AGAINST DAVID ZISKIND

An automobile accident which occurred at the corner of Market and Suffolk streets on November 2nd last has resulted in a $1000 suit, an action of tort, brought by Nicholas Contrakos of this city against David Ziskind. Fisher H. Pearson represents the plaintiff and Dickson & Knowles the defendant.

In his declaration the plaintiff alleges that he was riding around the corner on a bicycle when he was struck by an automobile owned and operated by the defendant and thrown to the street. He claims that he was injured and that his bicycle and clothing were destroyed. The defendant's answer is that Contrakos was to blame for the accident.

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LOWELL MAN NOT GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

Edward Chaput, of 502 Moody street, this city, who was being held on a charge of manslaughter for causing the death of a man named Torosian in an automobile accident, was yesterday released after the grand jury sitting at Dedham returned no bill against him.

A couple of months ago Chaput and a couple of other young men from this city left Lowell on an automobile ride. When they reached Foxboro they met a disabled machine on the road and Torosian and another party named Fred Curtis were among the occupants of the disabled car. The Lowell boys volunteered their services and took Torosian and Curtis along in their car while the disabled automobile was towed in.

Chaput, who was not a licensed chauffeur, was at the wheel under the supervision of the chauffeur in charge of the car. The machine was so crowded that one of the passengers stood on the running board, and while turning a corner the passenger on the running board got hold of the steering wheel to protect himself from falling, with the result that the car crashed into a cement bridge. Curtis was severely injured, while Torosian received injuries, which proved fatal.

Chaput was arraigned on a charge of manslaughter and was later released on a $2,000 bail. The case was heard by the grand jury with the result that no bill was found. Arthur L. Eno of this city and Lawyer Shea of Boston appeared for Chaput.

VARIED LIST OF CASES IN THE POLICE COURT

The greater part of this morning's session of the police court was taken up with the trial of Alexander Lessard, charged with "after causing injury to property did not stop and make known his name, residence and the number of his motor vehicle."

According to the testimony, after the facts offered by witnesses had

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THE SUN ELECTION EXTRA TONIGHT

The Sun will issue a special election edition tonight. It will be out with the complete results of today's election as soon as all the returns are in. Complete returns are expected to be in before 7 o'clock.

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TEXT OF NOTE ADDRESSED BY GERMANY AND HER ALLIES TO ENEMIES

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—Following is the text of the note addressed by Germany and her allies to the hostile governments:

"The most terrific war ever experienced in history has been raging for the last two years and a half over a large part of the world—a catastrophe which thousands of years of common civilization was unable to prevent, and which injures the most precious achievements of humanity. Our aims are not to shatter nor annihilate our adversaries. In spite of our consciousness of our military and economic strength and our readiness to continue the war (which has been forced upon us) until the bitter end, if necessary, and at the same time prompted by the desire to avoid further bloodshed and make an end to the atrocities of war, the four allied powers propose to enter forthwith into peace negotiations.

"The propositions which they bring forward for such negotiations and which have for their object a guarantee of the existence, of the honor and liberty of evolution for their nations are, according to their firm belief, an appropriate basis for the establishment of a lasting peace.

"The four allied powers have been obliged to take up arms to defend justice and the liberty of national evolution. The glorious deeds of our armies have in no way altered their purpose. We always maintained the firm belief that our own rights and justified claims in no way control the rights of these nations.

"The spiritual and material progress which were the pride of Europe at the beginning of the Twentieth century are threatened with ruin. Germany and her allies, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey, gave proof of their unconquerable strength in this struggle. They gained gigantic advantages over adversaries superior in number and war material. Our lines stand unshaken against every repeated attempt made by armies.

"The last attack in the Balkans has been rapidly and victoriously overcome. The most recent events have demonstrated that further continuance of the war will not result in breaking the resistance of our forces, and the whole situation with regard to our troops justified our expectation of further successes."

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The Allis-Chalmers Co., manufacturers of war munitions, today declared an extra 1 1-2 per cent. on account of back dividends on preferred stock together with the regular quarterly disbursement of 1 1-2 per cent.

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—An official announcement issued today says that Field Marshal von Hindenburg as the oldest active general of the Prussian army, in the name of the army, has made a request of the emperor that he himself wear the Grand Cross of the Iron Cross. The emperor has accepted.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Government officials made it plain today that while they are conducting inquiries into the high cost of living and planning grand jury action against any who have conspired to maintain prices, the principal remedies must come through economies and co-operation of the public.

BERLIN, Dec. 12, via wireless to Sayville.—Desperate attacks are being continued by the entente forces in the Monastir region on the Macedonian front, but without success, the war office announced today.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Lloyd's announces that the Danish steamer Inger, 736 tons gross, has been sunk.

BERLIN, Dec. 12, via wireless to Sayville.—Heavy artillery actions on the Franco-Belgian front both in the Somme region and the Verdun sector, are reported in today's army headquarters statement on operations in this war area.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 12.—The Furness line steamer Messina, seven days overdue on a voyage from London to this port, arrived here today.

LONDON, Dec. 12, 4:15 p. m.—The foreign office today informed The Associated Press that it is unable to dis-

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MAIL ROBBERIES OF NEARLY $200,000

PAIR OF POSTOFFICE DRIVERS ARRESTED—SAID TO HAVE CONFESSED AT BUFFALO

BUFFALO, Dec. 12.—Mail robberies amounting to thousands of dollars were disclosed yesterday, postal authorities announced, in the confessions of Richard and Frank Chapin, brothers, who are mail wagon drivers. Jewelry valued at between $10,000 and $15,000 was recovered at the Chapin house, but it is said much of the other loot, consisting of stock certificates and negotiable paper was destroyed. Frank Chapin has been under arrest since Dec. 8. Richard Chapin was arrested Monday at Athens, Pa.

Many firms in Buffalo have been reporting the loss of mail during the last two months. Inspectors traced the leakage to the wagons driven by the Chapins, and Frank was arrested. Richard disappeared. The extent of the theft was kept secret until he was brought here yesterday.

Postoffice inspectors say nearly $20,000 worth was stolen, much of it negotiable paper which no effort was made to cash and generally destroyed. The inspectors recovered three big bags of such paper. They say the Chapin house was furnished with goods obtained from a premium agency of coupons taken from the mails.

The two men under arrest confessed, the inspectors say, they made keys from samples of locks stolen from the mail pouches. They opened pouches on the first trip out every night, and abstracted quantities of mail which they took home during the lunch hour.

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

One of those old-time favorite dramas which never seem to grow old in the minds of lovers of good, wholesome stories is being proffered by the Emerson Players at the Lowell Opera House this week and in spite of its 20 years of existence over the foot-lights it promises to score a big hit during the remainder of the week in this city. The play is entitled "In Old Kentucky," and it is all that its name signifies. The scenes, of course, are laid in Kentucky and the characters, too, are all of the southern type. Although the size of the audience last evening was reduced on account of the weather, those who attended were very appreciative and judging from the reception given the presentation "In Old Kentucky" will undoubtedly prove one of the most popular plays of the season.

Miss Ann O'Day, the popular leading lady of the company, scores a big success in the role of Madge, the carefree and pretty girl of the Kentucky mountains. The part interpreted by Miss O'Day this week is a difficult one, but she handles it admirably. She is seen in many thrilling scenes, one of which is a daring leap to save the young man whom she later marries, another in which she rescues a race horse and her appearance to take the place of a lost jocked in an important race. Miss O'Day also gives several banjo selections and these also send out the spirit of the south.

Ivan Miller portrays the role of the young southerner and shares the honors with Miss O'Day. James J. Hayden is excellent as the young man of the Kentucky mountains and Millard Vincent appears as Horace Holton. Frank Wright, who also has charge of the presentation of the play, made a good impression last evening as "Neb," the funny negro and James T. Galloway, a southern gentleman who loves the race track, assisted in the success of the play. Miss Gertrude Shirley and Miss Morison performed well in minor parts.

The story of "In Old Kentucky" is well known by theatregoers of many years past. Seldom, however, is a play so popular seen in stock circles. The story is intensely interesting. It contains a love affair and there is just enough comedy injected to please the audience. The scenes in the mountains of Kentucky are really pleasing and much credit is due the director for this part of the production.

The story of the play is centered around Madge, the girl of the mountains, and Frank Layson, a young southerner. They meet by chance at a lonely spot near the girl's home and their acquaintance grows into deep love in spite of objections made by family and friends. The obstacles that are necessary to overcome during the courtship of the couple before their marriage develop many interesting scenes. Only the negro slave, who is once saved from a horsewhipping by Layson, sticks by the young people in their love affair. Of the many interesting scenes, the one in which the young girl volunteers to act as jockey and later rides the young southerner's horse to victory is most delightful.

"In Old Kentucky" will be shown twice daily during the rest of the week.

MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE

A program of rare excellence was thoroughly enjoyed by the many people who thronged the Merrimack Sq. theatre yesterday afternoon and evening in search of solid amusement, which they received, even beyond the expectations of the most critical. Owen Moore and Irene Fenwick entertained all with their interpretations of the leading roles in their five act feature drama, "A Coney Island Princess," adapted from the play "The Princess Zim-Zim," a sparkling comedy which results from trying to introduce Coney Island mannerisms into Fifth avenue society and vice versa. There was a hearty laugh in every scene. Eleanor Woodruff and C. Aubrey Smith worked very effectively in the important roles of the five act dramatization of Wm. J. Locke's great novel, "Jaffery," a gripping story of a newspaper correspondent who is sent to the Balkans at the time of their war. The situations which are tense are many and throughout the play the eyes of the audience are kept riveted upon the screen. The Pathe News and comedy and other plays were of the highest order. This splendid bill will be again repeated at the continuous performances at the Merrimack Sq. today and tomorrow, thus giving all a chance to take in this exceptionally fine show.

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WHO AND WHAT IS IT TO BE ?

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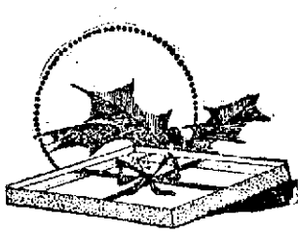
AT THE **Royal**

LLOYD GEORGE STILL CONFINED TO HIS HOME

NEW PREMIER AND ASQUITH ABSENT FROM THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON, Dec. 12. — The absence through the illness of Premier Lloyd George and former Premier Asquith, the principal figures in the late ministerial crisis, and the decision of the cabinet to postpone until Thursday its statement of policy robbed today's session of the house of commons of the interest which usually attaches to the first meeting of a new government with parliament. However, a large number of members returned to London for the session. The attitude of those whose position remained in doubt was indicated by the seats they took, either behind the cabinet or with the opposition forces. Meanwhile the new ministers were mastering their departments which most of them took over yesterday. A. J. Balfour, however, delayed his transfer until this morning, when he assumed charge of the foreign office. For the moment the foreign ministry is occupied with the problem of dealing with the Athens government.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—An Amsterdam despatch to the Times quotes the Maasbode as saying that immediately after it was known that David Lloyd George had become British premier a special meeting of the Dutch cabinet was held. After this meeting the Maasbob says, telegrams were sent to all Dutch shipping agents in America instructing them to reserve all available tonnage for government grain and cancell all arrangements for other tonnage.



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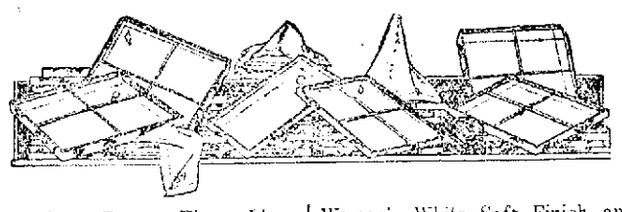
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Men's Extra Fine Linen Handkerchiefs, a number of different style initials, 25c; 6 for $1.50

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DR. MAHONY RECOVERING

Friends of Dr. Francis R. Mahony, the well known physician of The Sun building and Stevens street, will be glad to learn that he is rapidly recovering from the effects of an operation performed a few days ago at the Carney hospital. Dr. Mahony before coming to Lowell was a member of the staff of the Carney hospital and he is a close personal friend of Dr. Bottomly, who performed the operation. He expects to be back at his Lowell practice in a few weeks.

NORWEGIAN SHIP SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Lloyd's announces that the Norwegian steamer Agder is reported sunk.

The Agder is a vessel of 504 tons gross. Her recent movements have not been reported.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

FORMER EDITOR DEAD

John McVickar, Aged 73, Was Once President of I.T.U. and Formerly Editor of Detroit News

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—John McVickar, 73 years old, once president of the International Typographical union and formerly editor of the Detroit News died here yesterday.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN TOWN OF MERRIMAC

HAVERHILL, Dec. 12. The adjoining town of Merrimac was swept by a disastrous fire at 2 o'clock this morning resulting in the total destruction of the Merrimac Plating works, John Murphy, proprietor, together with his barn and damaging his residence, complete loss of the carriage factory and residence of S. C. Pease and badly damaging Little block. The wires of the telephone exchange were burned out and also the electric light wires. The loss is estimated at $25,000. Help was summoned from Haverhill and Amesbury.

TWO COAL BARGES SANK IN STORM; THIRD ADRIFT

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 12.—Two coal barges in tow of the tug Dewitt C. Ivins, bound from New York for Boston, sank off the Brenton's Reef lightship during a storm early today, and the third barge of the tow broke adrift. A man and a woman were rescued after being thrown into the water when the barge Francis Mulqueen went down, and the only man on board the other lost barge, the name of which has not been learned, was saved. The barge St. Daniel with one man on board, was drifting toward Point Judith, when last seen. The tug put in here, and it was planned that she should go in search of the St. Daniel later in the day.

WILL PRESENT ONE ACT FRENCH COMEDY

The next regular meeting of the members of the local branch of Alliance Francaise will be held Thursday evening at the Rogers Hall school in Rogers street, with President Rene Lys in the chair. Considerable business of importance will be transacted and the latter part of the evening will be taken up by an entertainment.

"Le Sancher," a musical French comedy, will be presented by W. P. Caisse, Jr., Arthur L. Eno, Miss Susan McEvoy and Miss Sarah Lanthieum, the latter a member of the faculty of the school. In addition an excellent musical program will be given by Miss Anna Merkel, a talented soprano singer; Mrs. James J. Bowen, and Miss Blythe. Miss Elodie Chapdelaine, a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music, will be the accompanist.

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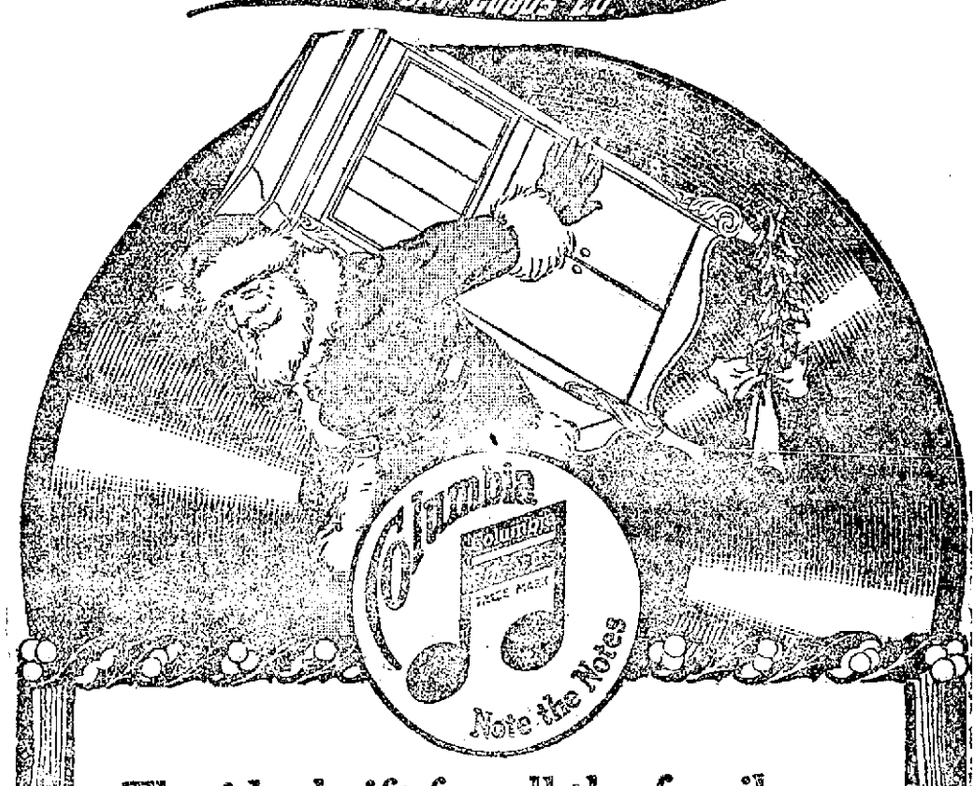
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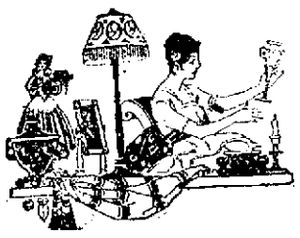
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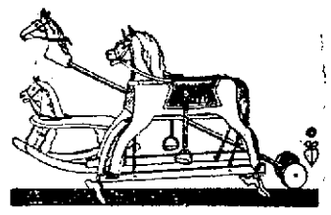
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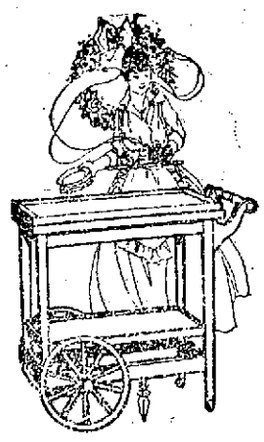
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MARTHA WASHINGTON SEWING TABLES, solid mahogany.....$15.00
WICKER CHAIRS, upholstered....$8.50 to $30.00
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NEST TABLES, solid mahogany, satin wood inlay. Special $20.00
FANCY CHAIRS, in all woods, patterns and sizes, $5.00 to $40.00
MAHOGANY PIANO LAMPS, Silk Shades, $13.50 to $25.00
GLOBE-WERNICKE SECTIONAL BOOKCASES
UTILITY BOXES, all sizes, $2.50
SMOKING STANDS, all patterns.
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CEDAR CHESTS
LADIES' DESKS
FANCY BASKETS
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LIVE BABY TO BE GIVEN AWAY NEW YEAR'S

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—A three-months-old baby, guaranteed to be of good parents and in good health and to be without a physical defect, will be given to suitable foster parents on Jan. 1, on the occasion of the annual ball of the Saugus lodge, K. of P., at the Saugus town hall.

The child is homeless and is now staying at a temporary home provided for it by Carl F. Kock, chairman of the three rank staff of the lodge. Mr. Kock declines to divulge any details regarding the child further than attesting that it is healthful and worthy in every detail calculated from the standards of babyhood.

Six couples have already petitioned that they be the foster parents of the baby. As applications are made to the committee of three in whose hands is the decision of the future foster parents of the child, the personal history of each of the couple is investigated.

The committee says that it will secure for the baby a good home, with a couple that is likely to be as mother and father to the infant. The decision in the matter will be made in time for its announcement at the lodge's annual ball, Jan. 1.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Loyal Integrity lodge, I.O.O.F., M.U., was held last night. Noble Grand Harold Merrill presiding. Five new members were elected and three propositions for membership were received. Officers for the ensuing six months were nominated. Four new members were obligated. The officers for the ceremonies were P.S., Thos. Chadwick; P.G., Frederick Silk; P.G., Thomas M. Smith, and P.G., Arthur DeLong. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 26, instead of on Monday, that day being Christmas.

The members of Division 8, A.O.H., met in regular session last night, E. J. Flannery occupying the chair. Considerable routine business was transacted. Sixteen candidates were received and four candidates obligated. John Barrett reported the business transacted at the convention of the Middlesex county of the Catholic Federation of Societies.

The next meeting of the division will be held next Monday evening at 8 o'clock at which time the election of officers will take place.

JUVENILE THIEVES BUSY OPERATING

The provision store conducted by Henry J. Farrell at 162 Market street was entered some time Sunday and, although a quantity of goods was taken, no attempt was made to get into the safe, and it is the opinion of the police that boys were responsible for the break.

Three bricks were removed from a wall in the rear of a storeroom of the place and the cavities were used to reach a transom over a door in the rear of the building. Evidently one of the boys crawled through a transom and opened the door for the others, and they took whatever goods they found easy to carry away.

After committing the break the thieves walked through the door and left it open. This is another of the numerous breaks made in the vicinity of Merrimack, Market and Middle streets recently. Several weeks ago some boys were brought into court charged with breaking and entering and larceny, but it would appear according to this break that the whole of the gang was not captured.

IN BOSTON

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SETS FIRE TO CELL IN LEWISTON, ME., JAIL

MAN WHO RAN THROUGH STREETS AFTER DISROBING ON CHURCH STEPS CAUSES SCARE

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 12.—Ernest Giguere, 35, who ran amuck through Lewiston streets Sunday after disrobing on the steps of the Park Street Methodist Episcopal church, yesterday set fire to the padded cell in which he was confined. The blaze caused damage to the city buildings estimated at $5000.

Giguere had repeatedly broken a bolt on the door of the padded cell, and the door finally was nailed. Hearing continued pounding, Officers Gauthier and Libby went to the cell corridor and the prisoner then began throwing glass. Thinking the man had broken the window, Officer Gauthier hastened to the exterior of the building and looking through the window saw Giguere touch a match to the wall of canvas filled with excelsior.

A telephone call brought apparatus from the central fire station, but the flames spread so fast that a box alarm was turned in. Before it was under control the fire worked its way to the second floor, causing considerable damage to the office of the board of assessors.

Giguere was dragged from the burning cell uninjured and confined with the other prisoners. Where he got the match to start the fire is not known, but the police think it was hidden in the wall by a man previously imprisoned there.

SOUTH LEADS IN COTTON MILL CONSUMPTION

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 12.—Practically the whole of the great American cotton crop will be converted into the finished fabric in American mills 20 years from now if the present annual ratio of increase continues, declared Col. Harvie Jordan, president of the Southern Cotton Growers' association, today in an address before the southern commercial congress. If this prediction should be fulfilled, he said, the ultimate annual value of each crop would reach the enormous total of $5,000,000,000.

"The south now occupies the leading position in cotton mill consumption throughout the world," said Col. Jordan. "It consumes annually more flat cotton than all of the textile mills of Great Britain, more than all those of New England and the balance of the United States combined and more than all the combined countries of Europe." A few years ago, he asserted, 75 per cent. of the raw cotton had to be exported while now foreign mills under peace conditions could not expect more than 50 per cent.

Pointing out that it was the country or section which manufactures the raw material into finished fabric that secures the maximum of value from such product, Col. Jordan declared that the present medium yield of the south's cotton crop, sold for its full value for the first time since the Civil war, would bring growers $1,250,000,000. He said present high prices of the staple was due largely to the federal reserve banking system and the cotton futures law.

BETSY ROSS CIRCLE

Apollo Male Quartet Coming to Lowell—Musical and Literary Evening at Colonial Hall

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 13, the Apollo Male quartet of Boston, assisted by Velma Bailey Hicks, reader, will give the following program for the benefit of Betsy Ross circle, No. 23, Ladies of the G.A.R., in Colonial hall:

Quartet, "Swing Along," Southern Melody ..... Cook
Reading,
Act 3—Scene 2
From "If I Were King"
Dramatized by Velma Bailey Hicks
Mrs. Hicks
Quartet, "At Dawning" .....Cadman
Solo, Selected
Mr. Hemenway
Quartet, "Magnolia of Tennessee," Bray
Reading, "Johnnie, His Mother and the Schoolmarm"
Mrs. Hicks
Quartet, "Twilight is Lovelight" Rubenstein
Solo, Selected
Mr. Logan
Quartet, "Just A Wearyin' For You," Bond
Reading, "Home Sweet Home"
Mrs. Hicks
Quartet, "Blue Danube Waltzes" Strauss

Tickets on sale at door.

TRIPLE CAESARIAN BIRTH

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Triplets, by a Caesarian operation, were born to Mrs. Joan Ravella at the Norwood Corner House hospital yesterday. The operation was performed by Dr. Thomas H. O'Toole, assisted by Dr. J. J. Haggerty and Dr. L. F. Johnson, and was highly successful, all 3 children being healthy and the mother resting comfortably last night.

The babies are receiving much attention, as they are the first triplets born at Norwood's community hospital.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 12.—Mayor Chapman recommended sinking funds to take care of insurance charges annually, rather than to be allowed to accumulate to $20,000, payable every five years, in his inaugural yesterday. He also recommended that a sinking fund be started to provide funds to redeem the city hall construction bonds as fast as they come due, the first in 1922.

Another suggestion was that the city delegation in the legislature seek an amendment to the Workmen's Compensation act to provide a method of self-insurance by cities who prefer to assume their own risks under the law, rather than avail themselves of insurance in insurance companies.

CARTRIDGE CO. TO STOP ALL NIGHT WORK

Unless conditions change it is probable that about 1500 employes of the United States Cartridge Co. will be laid off within the next couple of months. The present number employed at the great ammunition factory is 6800, and unless new orders are received this number will be reduced gradually to about 6500 and probably less as it is planned to stop all night work.

Moulders' Union

A largely attended meeting of the members of the Moulders' union was held last evening at 32 Middle street. A feature of the evening was the nomination of officers. Other business was transacted, including the voting of a donation to the Moulders' union of Nashua, N. H., and one for the striking corset workers of Springfield. Present at the meeting was Business Agent Murphy, who addressed the gathering. It was voted to hold the next meeting on the Monday following Christmas.

Grinders and Finishers

The members of the Die Grinders and Finishers' union will hold a banquet at the Richardson hotel on Saturday evening, Dec. 30, and John E. Fitzgerald and John F. Flynn, both international vice presidents of the organization, have been invited to attend.

Slasher Tenders

Considerable business was transacted at the Slasher Tenders' union's meeting which was held last evening. Reports showing the organization to be in a good financial condition were read and new members were initiated.

CHELSEA FIRE LOSS $18,500

Flames For a Time Threaten to Spread in District Regarded as Dangerous

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—A general alarm fire, that caused damage amounting to $18,500, gave the Chelsea firemen a hard battle yesterday afternoon. The absence of a strong wind aided in preventing a conflagration. Two alarms were sounded from box 23 at 1.45.

The fire was in a two-story brick building and shed at the corner of Spruce and Fourth streets, owned and used by Anastos & Chakalis as a bakery.

The fire was located in a dangerous district and for a time several brick apartment houses on Spruce street were menaced. The occupants fled to the street. Two tanks of the Standard Oil company located near the railroad tracks, about 70 yards away, added to the peril.

$100,000 TO BOSTON UNIVERSITY

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—A gift of $100,000, one of the largest ever given to Boston university for the establishment of scholarships, was received yesterday. The name of the donor, who did not care to have his identity made public, is withheld by the college authorities.

The fund will be known as the "Professor Augustus Howe Buck Educational Fund," and is conferred for use of men who are to pursue studies at the College of Liberal Arts department of the university.

The scholarships are to pay the entire tuition fees of the student during his four years in college and will also continue should he follow in special scientific research work along professional lines.

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He says freezone is another compound which dries immediately and never inflames or even irritates the surrounding tissue or skin. A quarter of an ounce of freezone will cost very little at any drug store, but is sufficient to remove every hard or soft corn or callus from one's feet. Millions of American women will welcome this announcement since the inauguration of the high heels.

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LATEST

MARKET BROKE WITH EXTREME VIOLENCE

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Although forewarned that events of world-wide importance in connection with the war might issue from Berlin at any time, the stock market was thrown into a state of confusion this morning when the announcement of the peace proposals of the central allies was received.

Already heavy, the market broke with extreme violence, prices crumbling in all directions. Speculative favorites lost 3 to 6 points during the forenoon, with 26 points decline in Bethlehem Steel and 5 to 20 in other issues comprising the so-called munitions and equipment group.

Coppers, shipping stocks and the shares of various concerns which have been shipping supplies of all descriptions to the allies showed average losses of 3 to 6 points.

Rails held fairly steady, yielding only 1 to 2 points and being among the first to rally in the very moderate recoveries of the early afternoon.

Over 1,000,000 shares changed hands by noon, with no cessation of the furious activity during the intermediate session.

WHEAT BROKE OVER EIGHT CENTS

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Wheat on the Chicago board of trade on receipt of the news of the proposals for peace of Germany and her allies broke more than eight cents. May wheat sold last night at $1.75 1-8. Within 15 minutes after the opening today the price touched $1.66 1-2.

The descent of prices did not stop until two more cents had been lopped off. The extreme drop was to 166 1-2 for the May delivery, a loss of 8 5-8c as compared with yesterday's finish. At this point buyers took hold with vigor and a rally to $1.68 1-4 for May ensued.

May corn dropped to 90 1-8 cents, a loss of 2 1-8 cents compared with closing prices of yesterday. May oats similarly sold off 1 7-8 cents to 54 cents. January lard the index of the provision market after selling at 15.60 advanced to 15.90 on the peace proposals.

After a period of comparative steadiness the market was again overwhelmed with wave after wave of selling as the day approached an end.

In the demoralization during the last 15 minutes of the session, wheat for May delivery broke to 164, a drop of 11⅛c a bushel in 24 hours. December touched 1.53¼, a fall of 11¼.

The details of Germany's offer had become generally known and traders for the most part seemed to think that the chance of a refusal to treat on the part of her opponents was not so likely as an acceptance. The close was wild, 4⅞ to 10¾ under yesterday's finish with May at 165⅛ to 165¾ and July at 142¾ to 143.

2,000,000 Shares

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Up to shortly before the close of the market trading in stocks totalled 2,000,000 shares.

Cotton Futures Closed Strong

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Cotton futures closed strong. December, 18.36; January, 18.55; March, 18.77; May, 18.96; July, 19.05; October, 17.10. Spot, quiet; middling, 18.35.

Closing Was Weak

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Depression spread to other parts of the list in the last hour, average prices then being lowest of the day. The closing was weak.

Break in Copper

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—A break of from 1 to 6 points in copper share prices followed word of the German peace proposals in the local market today. Recessions were halted for a time at mid-day, only to be renewed later. The close was at lowest prices of the day.

Recoveries Later

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Recoveries of 1 to 2 points occurred later but these were not well maintained. Distinctively war shares continued weak with further recessions in Bethlehem Steel common and preferred and an 11 point decline for Industrial Alcohol.

Money Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Mercantile paper 4 to 4 1-4. Sterling: Sixty day bills, 4.71 1-2; commercial 60-day bills on banks, 4.71 1-4; commercial 60-day bills, 4.71; demand, 4.75 1-2; cables, 4.76 7-16. Francs: Demand, 5.87; cables, 5.84. Marks: Demand, 67 1-2; cables, 67 3-4. Kronen: Demand, 11 1-4; cables, 11 1-2. Guilders: Demand, 40⅝; cables, 40 7-8. Lires: Demand, 6.96; cables, 6.95. Rubles: Demand, 29; cables, 29 1-8. Bar silver, 76. Mexican dollars, 58 5-8. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds weak.

Time loans, firm; 60 and 90 days and six months, 4 to 4 1-2.

Call money, firm; high, 6; low, 4; ruling rate, 6; last loan, 5; closing bid, 4; offered at 5.

GEN. VON STEIN IN CHARGE

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 12, via London, 3.45 p. m.—The Cologne Gazette says that Gen. von Stein, the Prussian war minister, has appointed a general officer to command the home forces, with powers including control of the censorship laws as well as other laws relating to a state of siege.

NEW FRENCH CABINET

PARIS, Dec. 12.—The new French cabinet, according to an unofficial list available today is comprised as follows:

Premier and minister of foreign affairs, Aristide Briand.

Minister of finance, Alexandre Ribot.

Minister of war, Gen. Hubert Lyautey.

Minister of marine, Rear Admiral Lacase.

Minister of fabrication Nationale, including munitions and transportation, Albert Thomas.

Minister of public instruction, Paul Painleve.

The six foregoing cabinet members will form a council of national defense.

STOPPED BREAK IN COTTON

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The announcement of German peace proposals served to stop the decline in the cotton market here this morning, prices advancing from the opening of 18.18 for May to 18.50, or about $3.50 a bale above the low level of yesterday afternoon.

The tone of the market today continued very nervous, however, and the improvement was not fully maintained.

GREGORY IS NOT GOING TO QUIT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12. — Attorney General Gregory has no intention of resigning now or later, it was said authoritatively today. According to officials this makes it certain that all of President Wilson's cabinet will remain in office for at least a time after March 4.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

Continued

suce the eGrman peace offer until the terms have been received.

PARIS, Dec. 12, noon—German troops made an atempt yesterday evening on the edge of Des Loges wood near Lessigny, south of the Somme sector, the war office announced today. The advance was checked by the French curtain fire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. — American Brake Shoe & Foundry Co. today declared an extra dividend of 2 per cent on its preferred stock in addition to the regular preferred dividend of 8 per cent payable in four quarterly instalments and the regular dividend of 7 per cent on its common stock in four quarterly instalments.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The National league meeting was preceded by a session of the board of directors, at which, it was stated by President Tener, only routine business and the formal awarding of the 1916 pennant to Brooklyn was transacted.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The Western Union Telegraph Co. today declared an extra dividend of 1 per cent in addition to its regular quarterly dividend of 1 1-4 per cent.

BERLIN, Dec. 12, by wireless to Sayville—Heavy attacks by the Russians in the wooded Carpathians and along the Moldavian frontier of Rumania were renewed yesterday, says today's war office statement. The attacks were repulsed.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 12.—A telegram was received here today by the Alvarado Mining & Milling Co., from a foreign consul in Torreon, Coahuila, confirming the reported killing of Howard Gray, or Howard Weeks, at Parral, by Villa followers. The message also stated a Frenchman named Alexander Bleault had been killed by the Villa soldiers when they occupied Parral.

LONDON, Dec. 12, 2.45 p. m.—A Rome despatch to the Wireless Press says that Petrograd reports that Germans have begun the retirement of some of their divisions from Rumania, transferring them to other fronts, and that the situation in Rumania is becoming more favorable for the entente.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Former members of the house of representatives today urged the supreme court in submitting the habeas corpus case of United States District Attorney H. Snowden Marshall of New York, in proceedings charging him with being in contempt of the house, to uphold power of the senate or house to punish offences which detract from their dignity and authority.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—Five small Bulgarian posts on the right bank of the Vardar river on the Macedonian front have been captured by the French, it is announced officially. The operations north of Monastir are being impeded by snow.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The federal trade commission reopened hearings here today in its investigation of the rise in news print paper prices, presenting facts gathered by its investigators in the plants of American and Canadian manufacturers.

VIENNA, Dec. 12 (via Berlin to London.)—The court alienist who has been observing Dr. Friedrich Adler, the publisher who shot and killed Count Karl Stuergkh, the Austrian premier last October, has decided him to be mentally sound and responsible for his acts.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The foreign office announces that it is still communicating with France in regard to a safe conduct for Count Tarnawski von Tarnow, recently appointed Austro-Hungarian ambassador to the United States, but no hint has been given regarding what will result from the negotiations. It is generally believed in diplomatic circles here, however, that the safe conduct will be granted.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Afer the news of Germany's peace proposals had been discussed at the cabinet meeting Secretary Lansing and the other members said no official comment could be made.

KING OF GREECE ORDERS GENERAL MOBILIZATION

LONDON, Dec. 12, 2.15 p. m.—An Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen says advices have been received there from Switzerland to the effect that King Constantine of Greece has ordered a general mobilization.

INJURED HER HIP

Sarah McCann, an elderly woman, residing at 107 High street, fell down a flight of stairs this afternoon and suffered an injury to her hip. The ambulance was summoned and she was taken to St. John's hospital, where she received treatment.

GEORGES CARPENTIER NOW MAN OF THE HOUR IN PUGILISTIC CIRCLES



NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—It is generally believed in sporting circles that the proposed bout between Georges Carpentier and Jess Willard will not take place. The army of managers who handle the destinies of the heavyweight champion have made such demands on Tex Rickard that the latter has thrown up his hands in disgust and will probably stage a battle between Carpentier and Les Darcy, the famous Australian boxer, if the latter ever gets here. It has been reported that Darcy has arrived in Chile and is now on his way to New York.

Among those familiar with the boxing game the opinion is almost unanimous that Darcy and Carpentier would make a better match than the Frenchman and Willard. Even if Willard reduced to the 245 pounds he weighed when he boxed Moran, the world's champion would still have the advantage in weight of fifty or sixty pounds. Carpentier, who is a clever boxer, might avoid the big fellow, but it is unlikely that the smaller man would succeed in landing effectively on the Kansan, and it would look one-sided.

On the other hand, there would not be any great discrepancy in size between Darcy and Carpentier except in the matter of height, the Frenchman standing five feet eleven and a half inches and Darcy but five feet six inches. Darcy has had trouble making the 160 pounds, which is the middleweight limit in Australia, and there is small doubt he could enter the ring very comfortably at 165 pounds and be in the best possible condition. Layout shows three views of Georges Carpentier, French heavyweight champion—one in circle as an aviator on the firing line in France, in oval his fighting pose. Lower one taken in Paris recently.

HANDLING THE RUSH OF CHRISTMAS MAIL

Preparations for handling the usual rush of Christmas mail are being started by Postmaster John F. Meehan, who is getting ready to increase the working force in the office and other branches within a week. To what extent the various departments will be augmented has not yet been determined but sufficient men will be added to warrant first class service.

The public is already apparently recognizing the advantage of early shopping as the mail during the past two weeks has shown a remarkable increase. The money order department also reports an "early shopping" business and persons who are giving money as Christmas presents are carrying out the slogan.

While the work of sending out foreign letters from this city is being rushed, delay is expected in the forwarding of holiday mail from European countries. The recent published reports of the presence of submarines in waters near the American continent will have a tendency to decrease foreign mail during the holiday season, it is stated.

All money orders destined for Germany, it is asserted, are usually held up from one to three weeks at English and French ports. All classes of foreigners are sending money orders to the old countries from the local office.

BIG AUTO SHOW WILL OPEN TOMORROW

Promptly at two o'clock tomorrow afternoon the Lowell Auto Show, which many local auto owners of Lowell and vicinity have looked forward to for some time, will open in the armory in Westford street under the auspices of the local companies of the National Guard. Mayor O'Donnell and other representative citizens will be present. Everything in the line of preparation for this big event which precedes the big national shows of the same nature, has gone along smoothly and there will be no hitch to mar the success of this big enterprise.

On attending the show the visitor will be impressed with the wide variety of makes of cars shown. A visit to this show will greatly assist every prospective buyer in making a wise choice for this exhibit includes all the open and closed cars of the very same makes as will be shown some time later at the Boston show. The days of the show are tomorrow, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, thus giving every interested person ample time to leisurely inspect the cars on display and ask as many questions as desired of the obliging demonstrators. Music will be one of the added features of this auto show. The admission will be 25 cents except Friday which is society day when the admission will be 50 cents.

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Musterole is a clean, white ointment made with oil of mustard. It is fine for quick relief for sore throat, bronchitis, tonsilitis, croup, stiff neck, asthma, neuralgia, headache, congestion, pleurisy, rheumatism, lumbago, pains and aches of the back or joints, sprains, sore muscles, bruises, chilblains, frosted feet, colds on the chest (it often prevents pneumonia). Nothing like Musterole for croupy children. Keep it handy for instant use.

MUSTEROLE

LOWELL MAN CALLED TO BRATTLEBORO

Rufus Warren of this city has been asked to go to Brattleboro, Vt., to take charge of his three-year-old son whose mother, Mrs. Walter E. Porter, is under arrest accused of bigamy. Mrs. Porter was married to Mr. Warren, who was her second husband. The case was continued to await the arrival of the Lowell man.

The accused woman first married C. E. Wells of Montpelier. A son by that marriage is nearly 24 and a daughter is 18. For her second marriage Mrs. Porter married Rufus Warren, then of Montpelier. It is charged that she never was divorced from him.

The third marriage is alleged to have resulted from a matrimonial bureau. It is claimed that in August Mrs. Porter described herself as an attractive brunette in a matrimonial bureau and gave her name as Miss M. E. Warren of Montpelier. Walter E. Porter sent her money, it is alleged, and she went to Brattleboro and they were married. The license stated that this was her first marriage. Porter claims that she told him the three-year-old boy was the child of a dead sister. Porter was informed last week that he had been imposed upon and was responsible for the charges.

DEATHS

BETTENCOURT—Evelyn Bettencourt died this morning at the home of her parents, James and Maria Bettencourt, 37 Union street, aged 4 months.

SIKSLMSKI—Stanislaw, aged 1 year, 2 months and 16 days, died yesterday at the home of the parents, Stanislaw and Antonia Sikslmski, 26 Winter street. Burial took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock in St. Patrick's cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

JANOCHA—Wladyslaw, aged 11 months and 24 days, died yesterday at the home of the parents, Joseph and Carolina Janocha, 12 Butler avenue. Burial took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock in St. Patrick's cemetery under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

AUGISTIN—Mary Augistin, aged 15 years, died today at her home, 130 Aiken street.

LEQUIN—Edouard, aged 27 days, died today at the home of the parents, Arthur and Louise Lequin, 245 Ludlam street. Burial took place this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the family lot in St. Joseph's cemetery under the direction of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son.

B. & M. RECEIVERSHIP

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—The Hampden railroad's claim of $1,000,000 against the Boston & Maine railroad and the failure of the directors of the latter to remove the attachment were criticised today by Conrad W. Crooker, counsel for minority stockholders of the Boston & Maine, at the resumption of the hearing in the federal court on the question of making permanent the present temporary receivership.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

TEUTONIC ADVANCE IN WALLACHIA CONTINUES

In the field of war the Teutonic advance in eastern Wallachia is continuing, with the Rumanians apparently maneuvering their forces under the steady pressure with a view to taking up a defensive line along the Buzeu river, near the southern boundary of their northern province of Moldavia.

Petrograd reports the failure of Teutonic attacks along the Moldavian frontier and in certain Wallachian sectors, notably northeast of Ploechti where the Austro-German forces are pressing towards the Buzeu.

Franco-Belgian Front

New activity has been developed by the Germans on the Franco-Belgian front. They attacked last evening on the edge of Des Loges wood, south of the Somme sector, but, according to Paris, were checked and driven out of portions of advanced positions which they had occupied.

DISMISS PACKERS' APPEAL IN BEEF TRUST CASE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Supreme court proceedings in the so-called Missouri beef trust case were ended today when the court upon the request of Armour & Co., Swift & Co., the Hammond Packing Co., and others dismissed the packers' appeals from Missouri decrees assessing $25,00 fines for alleged violation of the state anti-trust laws.

FUNERAL NOTICES

HALL—The funeral of Mrs. Catherine Hall will take place tomorrow (Wednesday) morning at 8 o'clock from the home of her son, John P. Hall, 54 Seventh street. A mass of requiem will be sung at St. Michael's church at 9 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Jas. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

LYNCH—The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth P. Lynch will take place tomorrow (Wednesday) morning at 9 o'clock from her home, 159 Walker street. Solemn high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Patrick's church at 10 o'clock. Burial in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

FUNERALS

SLATTERY—The funeral of the late Miss Delia T. Slattery took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from the home of her sister, Mrs. Thomas F. Slattery, 22 West Fourth street, and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The cortege proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church, where at 9 o'clock a solemn high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Owen McQuaid, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. Fr. Tighe, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. Fr. Mahon, O.M.I., as sub-deacon.

There were many beautiful floral offerings, including a cross on base inscribed "Good-bye, Delia," Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Slattery; pillow inscribed "Sister," Miss Margaret Slattery, and pieces from Mr. John Slattery, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Slattery, Mr. and Mrs. James Sheffield and family, Daniel and John Foye, George A. Moore, Jennie and Delia Cosgrove, girl friends, Patrick Mack, the Misses Mary and Catherine O'Loughlin, and Miss Ann Barrett, employes of Park hotel, Miss Josephine Earls, John Slattery and family, Miss Kittie Slattery, Mrs. Nellie Slattery, John Slattery, Michael Slattery, Mr. and Mrs. M. Slattery and family, Mr. and Mrs. Michael McGrath and family, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel M. Lynch, Mrs. Jennie Twels, Annie Queenan, Delia Laren, Mrs. Agnes Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. John Neylon and family, Mr. and Mrs. Caswell, Mr. and Mrs. Shalvey, Mr. George C. Parker, Miss Maud O'Brien. The bearers were Daniel M. Lynch, John Slattery, Thomas Sheffield, Patrick Mack, Patrick Maloney and Michael Calnan. At the grave Rev. Owen McQuaid read the committal prayers and the burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

PEACE PROPOSALS

Continued

derstood to propose the complete restoration of the occupied portions of Belgium and France in return for German's captured colonies and to dispose of the Balkan situation because of its extremely complicated nature, in the peace conference.

Despatches to the German embassy telling of the chancellor's action in calling in the neutral diplomats and transmitting the peace proposals of the central powers arrived soon after the news despatches. The terms for the restoration of Belgium and portions of France gave no indication so far as is known, of stipulations such as generally have been expected by the allies, although they did not absolutely dispose of their possibility.

It was indicated that while the German allies might not entirely expect that the proposals would actually cause a peace conference, they were not without hope that they would and they were hopeful at least that they would be the means of getting the belligerents together in some manner to discuss the situation and this, it was expected, would lead to a basis for peace.

Reasons for Proposals

In German quarters the crisis in the German cabinet, the coming of winter and the lull in the fighting are given as reasons for making the peace proposals at this time.

It is declared that the successes of the Teutonic arms in Rumania should convince the allied powers that the offer is not made because of any military weakness. By making the offer now, it is said, the German powers feel that all sides may be saved the preparations for the spring campaign. Should the offer be declined, it is said here, it will be made again next fall and, if necessary the fall after that.

To Force a "Show Down"

Another of the objects, it is explained by German diplomats, is to force a "show down," and establish whether the entente allies are willing to make peace or whether it is their intention to crush Germany and dismember her. Germany, they say, is convinced of the ability and strength of her enemies to continue the war on its present or even greater scale for 10 years, if necessary, and is no less confident of her own ability to do so.

Conference in United States Unlikely

It is regarded here as unlikely that any peace conference would be held in the United States. It is more likely to go to Berne or The Hague.

Among the entente diplomats here Germany's offer was pronounced to be of double purpose and unlikely of acceptance. The first purpose, the ally representatives declare, is to affect the world opinion of neutrals and place upon the entente powers the responsibility for continuing the war in the face of offers for peace.

The second, they declare, is for the internal effect in Germany and to give evidence to the people that the government was ready to end the war bu was forced to continue by her enemies.

Peace Offer Timed

The peace offer, the ally diplomats also say has been timed to follow the military victory which culminated in the fall of Bucharest, which in itself is relied upon to convince the people that they should lack no confidence in the ability of the government to continue the war if peace offers are declined.

General Nature of Terms

While without official information of the terms proposed by the central powers, the ally diplomats here believe they are somewhat after the general nature of the following: Germany to restore the occupied portions of Belgium and France, but not Alsace and Lorraine. The restoration of Belgium, however, is expected to be accompanied by terms which would give Germany control of Antwerp and what the entente allies declare would be a practical military control of the country. They expect also that in restoring the occupied portions of France Germany would seek to retain economic control of the rich iron country and stipulate that no restrictions be placed on free exportation of the raw materials she needs so much.

As regards Poland, the entente representatives expect that all the territory conquered from Russia would be included in the independent kingdom but that none of Poland held by Germany before the war would be so included.

Mesopotamia, these diplomats expect, would be claimed for Germany and Austria to give them an unbroken line to the Persian gulf. Such an arrangement, they say, would threaten Great Britain's control of Egypt and the Indian empire.

In Serbia all of the country as far south as Nish would, according to this plan, be awarded to Bulgaria.

As regards Turkey, the allied diplomats here have no idea what the peace plan might propose.

In the re-distribution of colonies it is expected that Germany will ask to have her conquered outposts returned to her or might propose to exchange them for some of the French colonies.

The attitude of the allies as to peace has not been officially indicated to the United States but it has been understood to be so flatly hostile that recently official denial was made that the United States had made any offer or contemplated any.

The recent changes in ministry in France and England are interpreted here to mean, not that they have given the power to make peace to any one man, but that they constitute the mandate of the full force of public opinion in both countries to carry the war to a conclusion.

PRESIDENT WILSON NOTIFIED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—News that Germany and her allies were about to enter on peace negotiations was sent to the president. Speaking for the president, Secretary Tumulty said he was deeply interested but could make no comment at least until it was learned what reception the proposal received from the entente allies.

The state department received its first information of Germany's proposal through The Associated Press despatches from which officials assumed that the offices of the neutrals addressed are asked only to transmit the proposals. This will be done, so far as the United States is concerned, promptly on receipt of official despatches in Washington. They will be forwarded to all the entente countries where the United States represents the central powers diplomatically.

Whether the United States would accompany the transmission with any comment or suggestion, it was indicated, depends entirely upon the nature of the proposal and whether it is considered likely of consideration. If the offer is deemed one on which all sides might negotiate the United States probably would urge that it be taken up.

In transmitting the proposals, it was officially stated, the United States probably would follow the practice which has been invariable so far in acting as the medium of communication between the hostile governments, and would not make them public. The terms would, of course, be known to President Wilson and Secretary Lansing who would examine them to determine whether they should be accompanied by any word from the United States.

The foreign embassies and legations received their first information of the event through The Associated Press despatches.

On every hand the discussion turned to what had moved Germany and her allies to make their proposals at this time. Although for many weeks there have been persistent and officially denied reports that some peace proposal was about to be made by President Wilson there was no open indication that the central powers themselves were about to make one. Generally the announcement was a distinct surprise through official and diplomatic circles.

One prevailing opinion was that the Germanic allies had brought out their peace offer at this time when the expectation of making terms which might be acceptable to the allies of England and in effect might possibly cause the British government to yield to the pressure of the nations fighting with her. It has been generally acknowledged in entente circles that efforts would be made by Germany to conclude peace separately with her enemies, but so far all the entente nations have reiterated their intention to adhere to their agreement made early in the war not to make separate peace.

The United States represents Austria and Germany in Belgium, France, Great Britain, Japan, Russia, Serbia and Rumania; represents Turkey in France; Great Britain and Japan; has taken over Bulgarian interests nowhere and does not represent any of the belligerent governments in Italy, Portugal or Montenegro.

KAISER'S MESSAGE TO GENERALS

LONDON, Dec. 12, 4.04 p. m.—A Central News despatch from Amsterdam says it is announced officially in Berlin that Emperor William has notified his commanding generals of Germany's peace offer and has informed them it is still uncertain whether the offer will be accepted. Until that uncertainty is ended, the message says, they are to fight on. The message is quoted as follows:

"Soldiers: In agreement with the sovereigns of my allies and with the consciousness of victory I have made an offer of peace to the enemy. Whether it will be accepted is still uncertain.

"Until that moment arrives you will fight on."

Emperor William's order to his commanding generals also was addressed to "My navy, which in the common fight has loyally and effectively staked all its strength."

LONDON GETS REPORT

LONDON, Dec. 12, 3.17 p. m.—A wireless despatch from Berlin says that in his speech before the reichstag today Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg announced that Germany, together with her allies, "conscious of their responsibility before God, before their own nation and before humanity," have proposed to the hostile powers to enter into peace negotiations.

PESSIMISM IN LONDON

LONDON, Dec. 12, 4.59 p. m.—A general note of pessimism prevails in London. One prominent official expressed himself to the Associated Press today as being very skeptical that the proposed terms would offer even a basis for negotiation.

This official said, however, that the note was a dramatic coup which would create interesting developments in the diplomatic situation and provide the first official peace overtures of the war.

The offer finds the foreign office upset in the midst of a change of administration but as the new foreign secretary, A. J. Balfour, has kept closely in touch with foreign affairs while serving in a different department in the late government, it is not expected that it will take long for him to be as well prepared as Viscount Grey, the retiring foreign secretary, to take charge.

Much speculation in official circles as to the possible action of the reichstag today had hardly prepared them for an actual offer of peace, and the utmost curiosity was displayed as to the details of the proposed terms.

AUSTRIAN STATEMENT

LONDON, Dec. 12, 4.14 p. m.—An official Austrian statement referring to the peace offer says:

"When in the summer of 1914 the patience of Austria-Hungary was exhausted by a series of systematically continued and ever-increasing provocations and menaces, and the monarchy after almost fifty years of unbroken peace, found itself compelled to draw the sword, this weighty decision was animated neither by aggressive purposes nor by designs of conquest, but solely by the bitter necessity of self-defense."

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DUTCH APPEAL TO SAVE BELGIANS

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Holland Section of League of Neutral States Sends Appeal

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Associated Press has received from Amsterdam an "appeal to the American people" by the Holland section of the League of Neutral States. The appeal is signed by Pres. Niemeyer and Secs. Delafaille and Walch. It follows:

"Your president has said that sooner or later a moment would come when the war would make the position of neutral nations unbearable. For us Hollanders that moment has arrived; not through our own sufferings, but because we cannot longer passively contemplate the ghastly suffering inflicted by Germany upon Belgium, our neighbor.

"Indeed, one must turn to the history of the early ages of long past centuries before international treaties existed to find a parallel to the enslaving of the Belgians. The Hague regulations stipulate that 'the honor and rights of the family must be respected,' but the German government deliberately drags the Belgian families apart.

"To us this cruelty is more vivid every day. Every day numbers of fugitives, in spite of the deadly electric wire which the Germans have erected along the frontier, succeed in escaping to The Netherlands. From them we learn the painful details of the unutterable despair of the women and children who are left behind, and of the agonizing scenes which take place when husbands, brothers and sons, dragged from their homes and womenfolk, are packed into cattle and freight cars and thus transported, slaves, to an unknown destination and to an unknown fate.

"To put an end to this—to arrest this hellish scourge, which at this moment lacerates the whole of northern France and western Russia—there is but one way open, and that is collective action on the part of the neutral nations.

"And for you, citizens of the mightiest of the neutral states, it is, in our opinion, the right and duty to take the leadership upon you. Only if you place yourselves at our head can any success crown our efforts.

"This tyranny is not to be borne in patience, and the neutral nations can no longer stand idly by while in western Europe the most primitive laws of humanity, observed even by uncivilized races are trampled under foot.

"We appeal to you to urge your government to energetic and decisive action and to call upon the other neutral nations to rally around you. That they will find faith and strength in your leadership is evidenced by the stream of messages expressive of sympathy and a desire to co-operate which have reached us from the moment we published our intention to make this appeal to the American people.

"We do not hesitate to take it upon ourselves to speak with firm conviction in the name of humanity, and our hope is firmly fixed on that sense of justice which has always formed one of the most cherished traditions of citizens of the United States.

"Americans, we are convinced that you will not disappoint our expectations."

CITIES VOTING NO-LICENSE

No Delivery of Liquor In Dry Territory Under New Law

License Vote for 1915 of Cities Holding Elections Today

In cities voting no-license, to take effect May 1, of next year, the new law approved by Gov. McCall, May 2, this year, regulating the transportation and delivery of intoxicating liquors will became operative. The law is as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. No person, firm or corporation holding a license of any of the first five classes for the sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors shall transport such liquors into, for delivery in, or deliver such liquors in, a city or town in which licenses of the five classes for the sale of intoxicating liquors are not granted.

Section 2. Whoever violates the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than two hundred dollars for each offence, and upon conviction his license shall become null and void.

This is the only law there is on the subject although dealers and lawyers say that there is some doubt as to just what it means.

There was a similar law passed by the legislature a year ago, but doubt existed as to whether or not the railroads and express companies, under the phraseology of the act would not be liable if they transported liquor "through" dry territory, although the seller and the consignee might both do business in wet territory.

Attorney General Attwill, at that time, was asked to rule on the matter, but he rendered an opinion that the act would not prohibit such shipments, "but that the courts might rule differently." In the circumstances Governor Walsh vetoed the bill and the legislature sustained his vote.

That was the end of the matter until it was presented to the legislature last winter, when it was enacted and is now the law of the state.

License Vote for 1915

The following is the license vote in 1915 in the Massachusetts cities which hold elections today:

	Yes	No
Attleboro, N	601	1276
Beverly, N	884	1865
Chelsea, L	3035	2098
Chicopee, L	1730	1279
Everett, N	1154	3246
Lawrence, L	6085	4844
Lowell, L	7503	6031
Lynn, N	7226	8283
Malden, N	1813	4280
Medford, N	969	2697
Melrose, N	369	1633
Newburyport, N	1336	1903
Newton, N	1399	2760
Revere, N	1402	1446
Somerville, N	1976	5010
Woburn, N	1246	1760
Worcester, L	12,143	9404

DIVIDEND OF 100 PER CENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—An extra dividend of 100 per cent on the common stock was declared today by the E. W. Bliss Co., together with the usual quarterly disbursements on the common and preferred stock. The company is extensively engaged in the manufacture of war munitions.

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IRON POST INTERFERED WITH JOY RIDE

A Buick roadster, the property of Charles S. Proctor of 189 Hovey street, was stolen from in front of the house of Larkin Trull in Fairmount street last night. It is said that three young men entered the machine and one operated it through Fairmount street and upon turning from Wyman into Nesmith street the car was going at such a speed that the driver lost control and the automobile crashed into an iron post. The spokes of one of the wheels were knocked out and a mudguard and spring broken.

The matter was reported to the police and Sergt. David Petrie was assigned to investigate the case. He managed to secure a good description of the trio and it is felt that they will soon be brought before the police and asked to give some reason for their little joy ride.

ELECT OFFICERS

Th regular meeting of the General Adelbert Ames camp 19, U.S.W.V., was held in the aldermanic chamber at city hall last evening. There was a large attendance and Commander Mitchell presided. The camp voted that a letter of appreciation be sent to Sergt. Thomas Camp of Haverhill, thanking them for the hospitality shown Lowell men in Haverhill last Friday. The following officers for the year were elected: Commander, Bert W. Chandler; senior vice commander, Judson A. Phillips; junior vice commander, James F. Crowley; officer of the day, James Clancy; officer of the guard, Frederick A. Cheney; trustee for three years, Alex D. Mitchell; delegates to department convention, William A. Prescott, Colby T. Kittredge and Thos. W. F. Babley; alternates, Carl H. Lambert, P. Henry Driscoll, Thomas F. Conniff. It was voted to hold the next regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 26, on account of Monday, the 25th, being Christmas day.

A large delegation from Gen. Adelbert Ames camp will attend the department banquet to be held in Boston on Feb. 22, 1917, also the governor's reception in the Hall of Flags at the state house on the same day.

A good sized delegation of members of the camp and also from Edith Prescott Wolcott auxiliary went to Haverhill last Friday evening to attend the fair and dance conducted by Sergt. Fred Thomas camp of that city. A special car took the party from this city at 6.10 p. m. and returned at 11.45 o'clock. The evening was much enjoyed by the Lowell delegation.

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AMUSEMENT NOTES

KEITH'S THEATRE

"The best show ever" was the consensus of opinion of those who attended the performance at the B. F. Keith theatre yesterday afternoon and evening. The diversity of acts is something out of the ordinary and the selection this week is one of rare excellence.

The headline act is Beatrice Morelle's grand opera sextet in "A Study of Royal Blue." There are six beautifully costumed women in the act, the stage settings beggar description and the singing and instrumental music are entrancing as well as entertaining. Miss Morelle is a contralto, whose sweet voice both in solo and quartet singing is par excellence. Madame Louise Arnolda is gifted with a soprano voice which is second to none heard in this city for years. Miss Genevieve Joy also a soprano keeps the audience spellbound while singing. Miss Annette Ford as first also sings songs that appeal to the audience. The other members of the sextet are Miss Grace Livingston, violinist and Miss Alice Ess, harpist. Both these young women are very clever and give several numbers on their instruments in solo and also accompany the singers.

While the singing and music is excellent the costumes worn by the members of the company are of royal blue and during the course of the act the outer garments are removed and the women appear in evening dress which are of a rare quality.

If a good hearty laugh will affect you it would be better to leave the theatre before Thomas Dugan and Babette Raymond appear on the stage for from the time the former makes his appearance in a ——— car, it is a case of laugh until the drop goes down on their act. We have seen many automobile skits and have heard the same old jokes over and over again, but when it comes to originality give Dugan and Miss Raymond the "d-o-e" and die laughing.

The automobile used is of the vest pocket size but large enough to hold a loving pair. Although Tom is supposed to understand the mechanism of the machine he admits that it was wished upon him and he is not to blame for what it does. In fact at times it becomes very animated and almost human. Naturally you think it is one of the popular makes of cars which everyone on the stage talks about. Well to tell the truth if you look at its head, it does remind you of the automobile you are thinking of, but that peculiar hood is divided that in fact the machine itself can be taken apart in a very short time.

The "plot" of the piece is an anxious lover and a beautiful maiden. They decide to elope. He arrives in his "one-man-power" machine and after "whisking" and failing to arouse the happiness of his life he throws a pebble through a window, then gets a ladder and after she is assured that everything is all right below she descends the ladder and they start off in the machine. That is they climb into the auto, but while it "auto no" there is something wrong with the mechanism and while trying to locate the trouble the pair rattle off a bunch of talk which is highly entertaining. It is all new stuff and scattered in such a manner as to result in repeated curtain calls.

Nate Coe, Emily Russell and Frank Davis appear in a comedy skit entitled "Waiters Wanted." Don't men it in public, but Nate and Frank served many years in jail and while they are not proud of it, they are rather sensitive. They have the locksmith down pretty fine and they are familiar with the stripes, but say, when it comes to stripes, just give a glance at Emily's black and white skirt. When she is standing still from her waist line to midway between the ankles and knees there is a black cloud, but when she is in action the blending of the black and white make a person wonder whether or not she is doing to transformation act. The trio have an original line of talk and they can sing also.

Wilfred Berrick and Lily Dean Hart appear in an original reel-astic comedy movie skit. They have appeared here before, but they are always welcome visitors for they are entertainers in every sense of the word. Despite the fact that it is not their first appearance on the local boards there is one thing that can be said they never produce the same sketch twice in one city. Their act is a clever one, Mr. Berrick being a good singer, while Miss Hart is a graceful dancer.

Stuart Barrow is with us again. He does a finger, shadow and sand act which is novel and highly entertaining. The Xylo maids in a xylophonistic diversity are excellent entertainers. They are attired in musical costumes and rattle the xylophones until a person would think their arms would drop off. They change from the popular songs to grand opera and vice versa with apparent ease.

Last but no means least is the act of the Helen Leach Walker trio, the original iron jaw wire sensational artists. Two of the women in the act hold the wires used with their teeth while the third woman performs all kinds of slack wire stunts and winds up with a whirling performance, the like of which has never been seen in this city before.

If you want to see one good show don't miss the performance at eKith's Performances will be held every afternoon and evening during the remainder of the week.

ROYAL THEATRE

Pearl is coming! Maybe some of you know already who and what she will appear in, but for a little fun we will not just yet disclose all about it not until next Friday. So watch the dailies until then, we promise something good. Today's show at this theatre offers some great pictures, among them Vio's Dana in the great Metro success, "The Gates of Eden," a novel play dealing with the beliefs of a young girl in a religious sect, and the difficulties with which she was beset. The play was written by a clergyman, and the supporting cast connected with Miss Dana is one of the most noted ever put together. "Dante's Inferno," a two reel version of the old classic and a Kalem railroad two reel drama and others furnish a fine three-hour show of unusual excellence.

JEWEL THEATRE

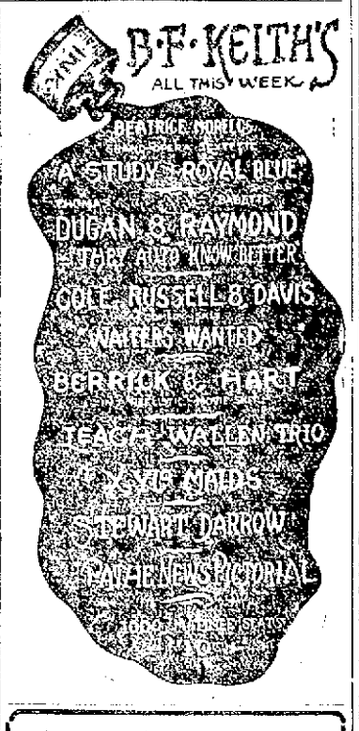
Sam Cohen and his amateurs will make their weekly turn tonight at the Jewel theatre. He has gathered a feast for the fun-hungry crowd that will fill the house tonight. Robert B. Martell and Genevieve Hamper will also be seen in "The Spider and the Fly," a great drama of Parisian underworld, staged and produced with wonderful dramatic power. Other pictures shown.

OWL THEATRE

A delightful story of a little girl of the tenements who brings sunshine into the life of all with whom she comes in contact is unfolded in the new Metro release, "The Sunbeam," starring Mabel Taliaferro, which will again head the big double bill at the Owl theatre this afternoon and evening.

Winifred Greenwood and Franklin Ritchie will also be seen at the Owl today in the new Mutual masterpicture, "The Reclamation," a photoplay which tells a stirring story of the great fight which is being waged in the West between the small ranchers and the powers which control the water irrigation. Other excellent attractions will also be presented at the Owl today.

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ALL THIS WEEK



TODAY OWL THEATRE

Big Double Bill

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In "THE SUNBEAM"
—ALSO—
Winnifred Greenwood
In "The Reclamation"

OTHER FEATURES

MERRIMACK Square Theatre

TODAY AND TOMORROW

OWEN MOORE and IRENE FENWICK in "A Coney Island Princess"

C. Aubrey Smith and Eleanor Woodruff in "JAFFREY"

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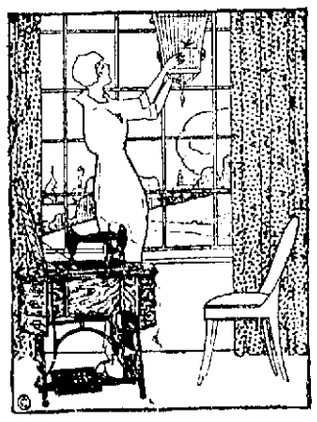
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Lowell, Tuesday, Dec. 12, 1916

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Dresden Ribbon, 1¼ and 1½ inches wide, a suitable width and quality for arm elastics, shoe trees, etc., in pink, blue, maize and lavender ..... 10c, 12½c, 15c and 19c Yard

Dresden Ribbons, 3 and 4 inches wide, suitable for coat hangers and powder cans ..... 15c and 19c Yard

Dresden Ribbons, 3 and 4 inches wide, suitable for coat hangers fancy bags, coat hangers, etc., in pink, blue, maize, lavender, cardinal, navy, delft ..... 25c Yard

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Plain Taffetas, for hairbows, with fancy dotted and stripe edge, in all the newest shades ..... 25c Yard

Dresden Ribbons, 6 and 7 inches wide, in both light and dark warps, suitable for men's ties and fancy work ..... 29c Yard

Brocade Ribbons, 5¼ and 7 inches wide, in white, pink and blue for hairbows ..... 29c and 45c Yard

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Fancy Dresdens and Brocades, in light and dark weaves, 6 to 9 inches wide, suitable for bags and all kinds of fancy work, 49c to $1.75 Yard

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West Section — Centre Aisle

GIFT GLOVES



A BEAUTIFUL AND PRACTICAL GIFT

The women must have Gloves to match gowns, or plenty of white ones, and so no Christmas tree is complete without Gloves whether it is for mother, sister, daughter, sweetheart or wife.

Gloves are popular gifts, and our enlarged service will prove of special value to gift glove buyers. The newest styles, the best and latest colors and every color and shade are displayed at a great variety of prices. This is the Gift Glove Store for everyone.

Two-Clasp Pique Kid Gloves, in black, black sewed white, white and white sewed black, at ..... $2.00 Pair

Two-Clasp Kid Gloves, medium and light weight, in amber and pongee and other staple colors, at ..... $1.75 Pair

One-Clasp Gray Mocha Gloves, at ..... $1.65 and $2.00 Pair

Strap Wrist Washable Kid Gloves, in the new shades, pique or outseam sewn, at ..... $1.75 and $2.00 Pair

West Section — North Aisle

Basement Bargain Dept.

DRY GOODS SECTION
Palmer Street

BATH ROBE BLANKETS

We have a complete assortment of Bath Robe Blankets at very low prices.

At $1.79 Each—200 full size bath robe blankets in light and dark colors, large assortment of patterns to choose from. A $2.50 value.

At $2.50 Each—Heavy bath robe blankets, full size, in very handsome designs. A $3.00 value.

At $3.00 Each—Very large variety of heavy bath robe blankets, all new designs, in large combination of new colorings, each robe in a box with cord and tassel to match. A $4.00 value.

At $2.00 Each About 250 comfort blankets, drummer's samples, representing a large variety of new patterns, in handsome colorings. $2.50 to $3.00 value.

Bath Robe Blanketing A new assortment of best quality of blanketing for bath robes; a large variety of new patterns, in all the latest combination of colors, at 39c Yard

Cord and Tassels—Cord and tassels for bath robes in large variety of combination of colors, only ..... 15c a Set

Wool Elderdown—Wool elderdown, in all widths and colors, very desirable cloth for bath robes—

3-4 yard wide, single faced, 42c Yard

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4-4 wide, double faced, white only ..... $1.00 and $1.25 Yd.

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Merrimack Street

Special Prices on Ladies' Gowns, White Skirts and Chemise—90 dozen Ladies' White Skirts, Gowns and Chemise, made of good material, in large variety of styles, trimmed with fine laces, embroideries and ribbons; a 75c value, all at 59c a Garment

Ladies' Bath Robes—Ladies' Bath Robes, made of heavy blanketing, in large assortment of patterns and new colorings, nicely trimmed and well made, at $2.00 Each

Flannelette Night Gowns at 79c Each—Ladies' Night Gowns, made of heavy colored and white flannelette, made full size and well trimmed; $1.00 value.

MEN'S FURNISHING SECTION
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LOCAL BUILDING BOOM

It is safe to say that never before in the history of this city have so many new buildings been under way at this season. So great had the demand for tenement and business buildings become, that many enterprising men have undertaken to provide what our city most needs. The new structures so far as tenement property is concerned are all up to date and many of them show the very latest combination of wood and cement construction. The business blocks, the theatres and factories under construction will add much to the value of our real estate as well as to the architectural beauty of our city.

The proprietors who are erecting these structures in the face of the present high cost of building material, show praiseworthy enterprise which will doubtless bring its reward. They show that they are not pessimists. They believe that our prosperity is here to stay and they are willing to take whatever risk of dull business the future may bring.

The real estate market which had been very dull during the past few years shows much activity and the improvement is felt at all points. Lowell is being prepared for a long period of steady prosperity despite the pessimistic views of men who think that the end of the war will see the end of good times. There is no justification for the calamity howl in the present situation. Whether Lowell maintains her prosperity or funks and goes backward depends entirely upon the spirit of enterprise, the tact and courage of her citizens. The watchword should be onward.

COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE

In his annual report Major General Scott, chief of staff of the U. S. army, declares that the volunteer military system has been demonstrated an utter failure. This statement is based upon the experience on the Mexican border. He states that the training period of 75 days in three years provided by the new national defense act is wholly inadequate. Soldiers so trained, he claims, would be unfit until they had at least six months' experience in actual war. He insists that it takes a year's training at least to make a soldier, although any time spent in excess of that period might also be used to advantage.

But it is principally to the difficulty of getting recruits that General Scott directs the force of his appeal. He shows that in eleven states with 16,000 enrolled men at the time of the recent mobilization, 10 per cent failed to respond and 29 per cent of the remainder could not pass the physical examination. As a result the men who went to the border were 43 per cent raw recruits, and brought up to war strength, the force would have been 75 per cent green men useless for war for many months.

While 151,096 officers and men were mustered into the federal service under the recent call to the border and 110,357 actually were on the border, yet this force was 97,000 below war strength and over 4,000 below authorized minimum peace strength. This is certainly a rather discouraging showing and one that calls for serious consideration by the government as well as by the critics who feel that this country should plunge into war with Mexico on one side and at the same time take the risks of complications with European powers on the other.

War as waged today is a different proposition from what it was ten, twenty or fifty years ago. The engines of destruction are far more powerful and the death rate in battle probably ten times as great as ever before. To put this nation on a war basis, as that is understood in Europe, will certainly require compulsory military service. Whether we have reached the point at which that would be necessary, will remain an open question until the end of the war. If that struggle closes without a crushing defeat to Germany so that the national rivalries would still endure, then instead of universal peace, will follow only the prospect of future wars fully as terrible as the present. With such an outlook ahead the United States in order to defend itself against foreign aggression would be obliged to adopt military compulsion and train every young man to be a soldier.

It is to be hoped that such a military necessity will never come but if it does we have only to meet it as the call of patriotism in defense of our liberties.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

While the country has issued the call for preparedness, while the government is building a big navy, preparing to equip a merchant marine and looking to expansion in every direction, there are still pessimistic notes heard at different points by people who in the midst of sunshine turn to look for ominous clouds on the horizon.

They cannot conceive the possibility that prosperity is here to stay, yet if the government policies of the present administration be carried out, there can be little doubt on that point.

Hon. George W. Perkins is going through the country as a prophet of evils to come and his chief panacea is an amendment of the Sherman law. That law may be amended, but not quite to the point to which he would have it changed. In the opinion of Mr. Perkins the tariff must also be boosted in order to allow the cooperative units, as he terms them, to be established as they existed some years ago. This would mean a restoration of the republican regime. He will have to wait at least four years for that.

But the south is booking as never before on account of the high price of cotton. The factories there are taking full advantage of the situation and will soon offer more formidable competition to the New England mills. Here is where the test of our textile supremacy will come. Will the mills of Lowell and other New England cities be able to set at defiance this step forward by the southern factories? The latter have not reached the point at which they can compete on the finer fabrics but on the coarse they will show up stronger than ever. Our mills have to prepare for this possibility in addition to meeting such foreign competition as may come after the war.

There is altogether too much alarm over what will happen to us after the war. The thing that will be felt most of all will be the falling off in foreign orders, in our textile, shoe and other factories. The munition factories have helped Lowell a great deal and henceforward they will have to slacken their pace, as England is now making practically all her own munitions. The chief orders now remaining are from Russia. But should these factories reduce their help to normal, the other factories will be able to accommodate most of the hands thus left idle. There is no justification for pessimism as to the future, either locally or otherwise. Business in the nation will continue to boom and while it does, Lowell need not worry, although it is wise always to prepare for any future emergency.

GEN. JOFFRE DISPLACED

France is also to have a small war council in line with that of England and General Joffre is to be succeeded in general command by General Petain, the defender of Verdun. Joffre may be retired but France can never show him too much honor for what he did to stay the advance of Germany and conserve the forces of the republic. No general was ever more careful of his men or more opposed to exposing them to frontal attacks where the chances of victory did not warrant such a step. But when attacked General Joffre was the most stubborn fighter, a fact demonstrated in many a hard fought battle. Much of the glory that has come to the French arms came as a result of the skill and strategy of General Joffre.

ENGLAND'S NEW CABINET

England starts on a new chapter of the war under entirely new management. There is room for improvement as showing more effective work in every department. Lloyd George has undertaken the Herculean task and will have the support of the nation. His cabinet has many men whose names are not very familiar in this country yet the general impression is, that he has gathered together a body of men who are qualified for their respective positions and may do good work once they get acquainted with the ropes.

Lloyd George himself has been reported ill. Should he collapse under the strain, England would be left in a very bad predicament.

DEPORTING THE BELGIANS

Germany explains the deportation of the Belgians as an act of benevolence for which they should be thankful. To furnish employment is the cause assigned. That benevolence is something the Belgians do not want. They have been robbed of their property and their industries have been closed. No wonder they are idle with their factories leveled and all their resources exhausted in meeting outrageous war imposts. Germany's policy, however disguised, is one of the most tyrannical enslavements.

THE MERRIMACK RIVER

The matter of making the Merrimack river navigable is not yet settled. The army engineers are still considering it. They should decide at once in favor of the proposition and let the work be started as soon as possible. There is no other river in the world that turns so many spindles. Why haggle so much over a job that has very much more merit than many of the river jobs that have been favorably acted upon?

President Wilson, it is said, will go west to see his friends next spring, that is if matters are not then so pressing as to hold him in Washington.

Seen and Heard

Now's the time to get married. The restaurants have boosted the prices on every little thing.

Last week we chanced to meet at two dances and three picture shows a girl who the previous week told us she "rarely went out evenings."

She Was Determined to Know

One of our lady subscribers (the Nantucket Inquirer and Mirror man is telling this) who says she "reads every word" in the paper each week on Friday evening last became mystified over the line "Changed 'em yet?" and when her curiosity could no longer be checked she rang up on the 'phone.

"I can't understand what that means," said she. "I've looked at all my calendar pads and they are all right; I've changed my desk pad; I've had my window screens taken off and my storm windows put on; I've thought and thought, but I can't understand what you mean."

Fortunately, the telephone could hide our blushes so, after screwing up sufficient courage, we queried in a subdued voice: "Well, have you put on your winter flannels yet?"

Something evidently broke loose on the other end of the line. "None of your business!" snapped through the 'phone and we could hear the lady's receiver go up with a bang.

She brought it on herself, anyway.

He Ought to Get an Auto

The young man who has a car at his disposal surely has a winning way with the modern maid. Listen to this tale of woe as related by the Chatterer of the Rockland Independent:

John was keeping company with a young lady in a nearby town. He called regularly every Sunday evening. On one of those big nights he was as usual making good with his inimitable line of humor when the front door bell rang. The young lady ran to answer it. Then John read the paper, inspected the family album, and studied the wall paper designs, but the girl did not return. Two hours later John concluded that it was time to make an investigation. In the hallway he reached for his overcoat but it was missing. The thermometer hovered around the zero mark but he was too hot to notice this. Sticking his hat over one ear he started for home. In the street a big auto pulled up and out jumped the girl. Over her shoulders was John's coat. Ed had knocked at the door, invited her for an auto ride and she had grabbed John's coat and accepted. "Can you beat that for nerve?" says John.

The Deer They Didn't Eat

One young married woman out north, who has a large circle of friends and a brother-in-law who went after deer during the week when the law was off, is slowly recovering from an attack of near heart failure, according to the Plymouth Town Crier. She returned from a trip to town the other day, and found a big bundle of deer meat which had been left at her house, and remembering that the brother-in-law had promised her some (if he got any) assumed that he had struck luck and made good on the promise. There was all she could lug into the pantry, and she immediately began, woman-like, to plan who she would share it with. The neighbors were all told that they were in on the division of the spoils and her "hubby" was called on the 'phone and told to get his facial hatch ready to hoist in cargo. "We've got an awful lot of deer meat." "You bet I will," answered her worser half, "and I'm some stevedore." Then the 'phone rang. Another voice said: "Say, T., did yer git that hunk er deer Henry sent down fer the house? Well, it's his and he wants yer ter krep it fer him. S'long." Hubby ate corned beef and the neighbors are still waiting and the young woman is slowly regaining consciousness.

Shoes Winner Over Hat

Have you noticed Postmaster Creedon's new hat? Inquires the Middleboro Gazette. It is very becoming and it comes as a result of his faith that President Wilson would be re-elected. Not that he would bet, but merely an agreement that he would make another a present if Hughes were elected. These are the facts: A friend from Danbury, Conn., was here shortly before election and he and our postmaster were talking over the political situation. The visitor was a strong Hughes supporter and after some conversation made the following proposition. That if Wilson were elected he would send Mr. Creedon one of Danbury's product, a hat, while as Middleboro was a shoemaking community a pair of shoes made here would be sent him if he were on the right side. The day after election Mr. Creedon received a postcard, giving the dimensions of the shoes needed. But the following day came another, stating that there was no need of ordering the footwear, and that the bet would be forwarded in a few days. It arrived the past week, a handsome brown one, custom made, and now adorns the noble brow of the federal official.

How Like the Trees

I walked through the paths that led by
ancient trees;
Some stood in groups and cities in a
row;
Their bright green leaves were dancing
in the breeze,
And o'er their limbs the sunshine
poured its glow.

The happy birds were singing everywhere,
And building nests with all a mother's skill;
As budding flowers sent forth upon the air
Their perfumed breath with whispers of good-will.

Later among the same tall trees I strolled,
And lo! the leaves, so beautifully green,
Were turned to red, or yellowed o'er with gold,
Which spread a matchless splendor to the scene.

Later once more I walked the trees among;
Chill winds and frosts before me had been there;
And where the leaves had played, and birds had sung,
Their crooked limbs alone lonely, brown and bare.

And then I mused: How like to trees are we
On life's down-hill, outward attractions flown;
To know at once we ne'er again can be,
And we are left naught but to moan.

—Thomas F. Porter.

Says Health Was All Broken Down

Well Known Lowell Citizen Relates How His Health Was Restored By Plant Juice.

Just because you are not incapacitated from your business or pleasure, the warnings of stomach trouble should not go unheeded, or serious results are bound to follow. These warnings take the form of dyspepsia, indigestion, dizziness, nervousness, constipation, headache, backache, pains in the back or side, that tired, run down feeling, and various other symptoms indicating a deranged stomach which can be restored to its normal condition by Plant Juice, the new herbal preparation. Under the influence of its general restorative effect, these disease symptoms rapidly subside; it clears up the liver, kidneys and bladder, and enables these organs to perform their proper functions, eliminates uric acid from the blood, which causes rheumatism, and brings back the flesh of health to pale cheeks by enriching and purifying the blood.

Daily signed statements are received from well known local people testifying how they have been restored to health by Plant Juice. The following statement from Mr. Joseph Tarella, who lives at No. 196 Lakeview Avenue, and is employed at the Lowell Bleachery, is especially convincing. He said:

"I have been troubled with severe pains in my stomach for the past eight years and could not digest my food; it fermented in my stomach and gas formed, and I had a burning and bloated feeling in the pit of my stomach, which gave me great pain every time I ate any food. I got so I dreaded to eat; I could not sleep at night and had a bad taste in my mouth in the morning and always felt tired on getting up and had no ambition or energy, in fact was entirely run down. I had tried many medicines but none of them seemed to help me, and when I read about Plant Juice in our home papers, I decided to try it. I can now honestly say that my stomach is greatly relieved, and I do not have that burning sensation any more. I sleep well and have no pains from gas. I feel better in the mornings than I did, and am more than satisfied with Plant Juice."

The Plant Juice Man is at Bows, The Druggist's, in Merrimack Square, where he is daily meeting the local public, and introducing and explaining the merits of this remedy.

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Do you ever have the "blues"?

That discouraged feeling often comes from a disordered stomach, or an inactive liver. Get your digestion in shape and the bile acting properly—then the "blues" will disappear. You will soon be cheerful, if you take

BEECHAM'S PILLS

the people's remedy for life's common ailments. They act thoroughly on the stomach, liver and bowels, and soon regulate and strengthen these important organs. Purely vegetable—contain no harmful drugs. Whenever you feel despondent a few doses will

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THE SUN

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AT THE

NORTH STATION

BOSTON

TRYING TO FIND OUT WHY FOOD IS DEAR

Department of justice officials announced that chief activity in the government's nation wide investigation into the middle west, especial attention being paid to the activities of coal dealers in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Toledo and other cities.

George W. Anderson, United States district attorney for the Boston district, directs the inquiry. He will go



GEORGE W. ANDERSON

over information outlined for presentation to the federal grand jury in Chicago and probably will visit also Detroit, where another grand jury inquiry will be begun. Later he may go to St. Louis, Kansas City and Minneapolis.

After analyzing figures obtained from the department of agriculture officials conducting the inquiry say that one of the chief needs of the country is a better method of distribution of foodstuffs. The method followed at present, it is said, would fail in time of emergency. Indications are that this phase of the subject will be placed before the president.

They Do Say

That tonight's the night.

That there are some people no revival spasm can reach.

That the safest thing in the world is to keep away from a liar.

That when a man thinks he's handsome his barber generally knows it.

That human nature and women are profound studies.

That a brutal policeman is a thug in uniform.

That when you're in love it's no matter how plain the girl may be.

That there's a lot of things we'd like to do that somehow never come our way.

That a lot of wrinkles are due to the fact that we have not yet learned to forget.

That the poor we have always with us, especially poor excuses.

That only the survivors really believe in the survival of the fittest.

That the ambitious office boy doesn't think much of the clerk who locks up his or her typewriter.

That the jitney business is great in Lowell.

That many Lowell people visit the state fish hatchery in Nashua, N. H.

That the executive committee is taking unto itself some power.

That 12 pounds of apples constitute one peck, while it takes 15 pounds of potatoes for the same measure.

That the Lowell women are invited to attend the convention of the sealers of weights and measures for their own benefit. The affair will be held in Boston.

That the extra penny on the Pelham line is causing the conductors a lot of trouble.

That the price of turkey will drop for Christmas.

That the women are beginning to watch the thermometer.

That even the price of soap has advanced.

That Marty will make a good basketball team manager.

That Saturday was the only gloomy football day of the year in Haverhill.

That it is all over but the cheering.

That out-of-town roller skaters who have aspirations of becoming champions had better keep away from Lowell.

That some of the boys are looking for those cigarets. Where are they, Bob?

That the funeral of the late Charles H. Molloy was one of the largest ever held in this city.

That the voters and especially the candidates for office are on the anxious seat at this time.

That there is one type of fellow who has been so busy collecting the records of men who have made money that he has had no time to make a run for himself.

That there will be an ambitious class of local writers at high school tomorrow evening.

That no one is to be envied for having a heavy cold the first of the month.

That Charley Molloy will be remembered for many a secret charity that only the beneficiaries know.

That a man is apt to describe his own faults in talking about his neighbors.

That whether it's license or no-license the laws ought to be enforced.

That the Russian army keeps both wings intact, ready for instant flight.

That the czar was at the opera and the sardine was in a box.

That everybody likes mild winter weather except the coalmen.

That the Rumanians do not seem to suffer from rheumatism.

That there were a number of pools made on the license question.

That some police officers use undue force in making arrests.

That some of the jitney drivers should be prosecuted for overspeeding.

That the office boy will make a good president.

That the postman is wishing that Christmas was over.

That one South street woman didn't lose her head when a fire broke out.

That a good basketball team would prove attractive to local sporting fans.

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Articles carefully chosen by our buyers who know men's tastes.

All stocks entirely new selected for this season's giving.



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Attractive new colors, $1.00 to $2.00

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Fibre silk and pure silk—plain colors or with Roman border, $2.00 to $5.00

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Or Smoking Jackets, of double faced cloth, with plaid facings, $5.00

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With Slippers to match, jacquard figures in new color combinations $5.00

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Much the largest and richest collection we have ever shown—unique designs that are exclusively our own ..... $1.00 to $3.00

Men's Gray Mocha Gloves
Plain, Spear Point or black embroidered backs, $1.65 to $2.00

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Heavy all wool robes for the automobile, attractive patterns $6.75

Men's Collar Bags
Morocco or Suede leather—lined with satin, $1.00 and $1.50

Men's French Flannel Shirts
Mercerized Stripes and Plaids in delicate colorings $3.00

Men's Japanese Crepe Shirts
Dainty patterns $3.50

Men's Opera Slippers
Black or tan kid ..... $1.50 to $2.00

Men's Mocassins
Indian tanned leather ..... $2.25 and $2.50

Putnam & Son Co.

166 CENTRAL STREET.

WALSH SAYS INTERESTS CONTROL LEGISLATURE

FORMER GOVERNOR URGES ADOPTION OF INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM AS REMEDY

ATTLEBORO, Dec. 12.—Former Gov. Walsh in an address delivered here last night criticised the state legislature which, he said, was dominated and controlled by outside financial interests. He advocated the adoption of initiative and referendum, and declared that the form of the ballot by which the state voted last month to return to party enrollment, was calculated and intended to deceive the voters.

"By bitterest experience as governor was to see the extent to which men in the legislature are dominated and controlled by men outside and by financial interests," he said. "I strongly advocate the initiative and referendum. Every man who has run a lobby at the state house is against it, because it means the ending of his business. That very fact ought to recommend it. If your legislature is false and disloyal you ought to have the right to appeal to the supreme court."

The former governor then presented arguments in favor of doing away with the election of congressmen by districts, saying that the 16 representatives should be chosen from the state at large. He stated that he was opposed to the recall of judges and judicial decisions, saying that the judges were the conscience of the state. He also opposed the election of a president by the electoral college.

"I am in favor of a system which will make the northeast corner of Maine count as much as the southeast corner of Texas or any doubtful state. I believe in the popular election of presidents of the United States. I also believe there should be a law to disfranchise a man who fails to vote for two years in succession.

"The man who does not cast his ballot on election day is no different from the man who runs behind a tree when his country needs his defence."

Children Cry for Fletcher's

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The Kind You Have Always Bought has borne the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, and has been made under his personal supervision for over 30 years. Allow no one to deceive you in this. Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments, and endanger the health of Children—Experience against Experiment.

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FUNERALS

SANDERSON—The funeral services of Julia L. Sanderson were held at the home of her niece, Mrs. Forrest F. Hyde, 86 Bartlett street yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. Alfred C. Skinner, D.D., pastor of St. Paul's M.E. church. The body was taken to Saco, Me., for burial. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

EMERSON—The funeral of Frank Waldo Emerson was held from his home, 24 Bellevue street yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. James Bancroft, rector of St. John's Episcopal church. The Masonic committal service was exemplified at the grave by the following named officers, assisted by members of Pentucket lodge, A.F. and A.M.; W. M. Edson, K. Humphrey, Chaplain Rev. James Bancroft. The bearers were Messrs. William H. Penn, George T. Frye, George V. Gregg and Louis Alexander, all members of Pentucket lodge. Appropriate selections were sung by Messrs. George E. Burns, Charles G. Martin, Edward B. Wirt and Harry Priestly of the American quartet. Burial was in the family lot in the Lowell cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Bancroft. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker John A. Weinbeck.

ELLIS—The funeral of Mrs. Martha Ellis was held from the residence of her son, J. Edward Ellis, 84 Center street, Methuen, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Services were conducted by Mrs. Whitehead, reader. The pallbearers were: Ben Armstead, Mr. Goddard, Thomas Ellis of Lowell and Mr. Hamlett. Burial was in Bellevue cemetery.

The floral tributes follow:

Large pillow, inscribed "Mother," from Ellis family; large basket inscribed "Grandma," from grandchildren; spray of chrysanthemums from Spiritualist church; spray of chrysanthemums from O'Brien family, sprays from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Walsh, Mrs. Whitehead, Mr. and Mrs. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hanson, Kate Collins and Katherine Kelley, Mrs. Harvey of Lowell, Mrs. Reed of Lowell, spray of white roses, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Sullivan.

SHEA—The funeral of Mrs. Julia E. Shea took place this morning from her home, 24 First street, at 8:15 o'clock and was largely attended. The cortege proceeded to St. Michael's church where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Francis Mullen. The choir sang the Gregorian mass, Miss Margaret Griffin and Mr. Thomas F. Roulger sustaining the solos. Miss Ella Riley presided at the organ. Among the floral tributes were the following: Large wreath, from husband; large spray, from Nellie and Mary, sisters of deceased; spray from Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Tully. The bearers were John M., John J., and George Shea, Joseph F. Tully, William Doyle and Henry Williams. Interment was in St. Patrick's cemetery. Rev. Francis J. Mullen read the committal prayers. Undertaker P. H. Savage in charge of funeral arrangements.

DAY—The funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Day took place this morning at 8:30 o'clock from the home of her son, John Day, 15 Auburn street, and was largely attended. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan. The choir sang the Gregorian mass, Miss Gertrude Keleher and Mr. James E. Donnelly sustaining the solos. Miss Lulu Ginty presided at the organ. Among the floral offerings were a pillow inscribed, "Mother," from Mr. and Mrs. John Day; cross on base inscribed, "Good-bye, Ma," Mr. and Mrs. James E. Day; wreath on base, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Day; cross on base inscribed, "Grandma," Madeline, Mary and Rita; wreath on base, Mr. Fred H. Rourke; spray, The Carroll family; pillow inscribed, "At Rest," the boys; spray, Miss May O'Brien and Mrs. Harry Ogden; spray, Mrs. Johnson and Miss Ambrose; spray, the Draper family; spray, Mr. John Gilbride; spray, Mr. and Mrs. James Mountford; mound, Mary Carroll and Edward Barrington; wreath, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rafferty; sheaf of wheat, Mrs. O'Brien; spray, Mr. Geo. Tyrrell; wreath, a friend, spiritual offerings, Mr. and Mrs. Moran, Katherine Kenny, Mary Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. McCleary, Mrs. Thomas Purcell, Mr. and Mrs. Slattery, Mrs. Chase. The bearers were Fred H. Rourke, Patrick Nestor, Michael Rogers and John Russell. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the final prayers were read by Rev. Daniel J. Heffernan under the direction of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

ARCHIBALD—The funeral of John H Archibald took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the home of his parents, John and Margaret T. (Sands) Archibald, 185 South street. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

McGINN—The funeral of Hugh McGinn took place this morning at 8:15 o'clock from the rooms of Undertaker J. H. McDermott and was largely attended by relatives and friends. At St. Peter's church a funeral mass was celebrated at 9:45 o'clock by Rev. Patrick Crayton. The choir sang the Gregorian chant and during the service solos were sung by the members of the choir. Among the many beautiful flowers were the following: Pillow inscribed "Uncle" from the nephews, Fred Giles of East Boston and William Giles of Lawrence; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Bradley. The bearers were Patrick McGillicuddy, J. Doyle, T. Sinnaiton, D. McGlinchey, S. Kelly and W. Pearsons. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Patrick Crayton. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker James H. McDermott.

DUNN—The funeral of Bernadette Dunn took place this afternoon at 1.30 o'clock from the home of the parents, 7 Western avenue. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

GRENIER—The funeral of Wilfrid Grenier took place this morning from his home, 35 Clark street. Solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Jean Baptiste church at 9 o'clock by Rev. Dr. J. H. Racette, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. Augustin Graton, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. Louis Pachand, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. The bearers were Morrill Lodoux, Arthur Beaudette, Henri Hamilton, Eugene Tradel, Henri Doucette and Edouard Vincent. The delegation from Carillon Council, U. S. J. Bte. d'A., consisted of the following: Joseph Courcy, Maxime Manville, George Labranche and Alfred Germain. The Fixers' union was represented by Alfred Savard, H. Lussier, W. Paquette and E. Levasseur. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Joseph Bolduc, O.M.I. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Son.

FUNERAL NOTICES

BRENNAN—The funeral of Mary A. Brennan will take place Wednesday morning from the home of her brother, Peter J. McLoughlin, 172 Ennell street at 8 o'clock. High mass of requiem at the Immaculate Conception church at 9 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker P. H. Savage in charge of funeral arrangements.

GARLAND—Died suddenly at his home, 2017 Glenwood road, Brooklyn, N. Y., Charles H. Garland, aged 73 years, 4 months, 4 days. Funeral services will be held at the chapel in the Edson cemetery Wednesday at 3 p. m., in charge of J. A. Weinbeck.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

HERE'S INTERESTING NEWS

THE MERRIMACK CLOTHING COMPANY

ANNOUNCES A GREAT

PREPAREDNESS FOR CHRISTMAS SALE

To Begin Tuesday (Today) at 8.30 A. M. and Close Saturday, December 23rd, at 10.30 P. M.—Eleven Days of Great Value Giving That Will Tickle the Hearts of Thousands of Christmas Shoppers

This Sale Affords Real, Genuine Bargains

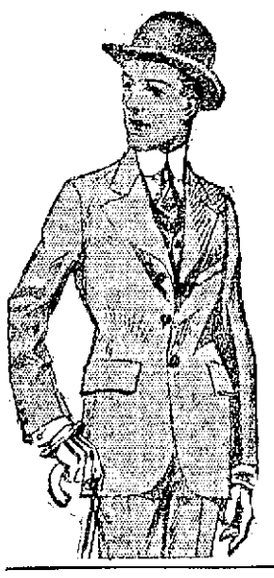
With the price of TURKEYS, COAL, FLOUR and almost every other thing purchasable SKY HIGH, we know that this announcement will be welcomed by every gift buyer in Lowell and vicinity.

After months of painstaking preparations for this GREAT CHRISTMAS SALE, every department in our store is ready to offer you the best and largest variety of useful holiday gifts 20 PER CENT. TO 30 PER CENT. LOWER THAN PRESENT DAY PRICES.

You'll find that it will pay you well to shop here during this GREAT PREPAREDNESS SALE where you are sure to get just the useful gifts that please—and have something left for more gifts.

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Read These Preparedness for Christmas Prices on Useful Gifts for Men, Women and Boys



Men's High Grade

SUITS

Worth up to $25.00. Preparedness price—

$20

Men's Fine All Wool Worsted and Cassimere Suits. Values up to $20.00. Preparedness price—

$15

What Better Gift Than a Boys' Suit?

Over 200 Boys' Wool Suits with two pairs of pants. Worth up to $7.50. Preparedness price—

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Plenty of Others at $3.95 up to $12





BOYS' CAPS

Values up to 65c—
50c
Values up to 50c—
35c

BOYS' SWEATERS

Shaker knit wool sweaters, all colors and sizes up to 36. Regular $3.50 values. Preparedness price—

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LADIES' SUITS REDUCED



Ladies' Suits. Values up to $40.00.....$23.75
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Ladies' Suits. Values up to $22.50.....$14.75

LADIES' COATS REDUCED



Ladies' Coats. Values up to $30.00.....$25.00
Ladies' Coats. Values up to $25.00.....$20.00
Ladies' Coats. Values up to $20.00.....$15.00

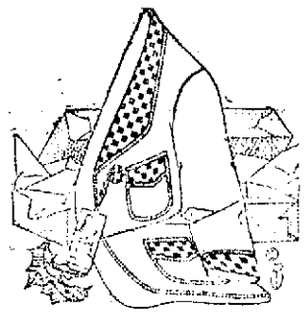
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Over 5000 Men's New Ties to select from at 25c, 50c, 65c and up to $2

WOOL SHAKER SWEATERS

A $5.00 value. Preparedness price—
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FINE WORSTED SWEATERS

All colors and sizes. Value $3.00. Preparedness price—
$2.50

BOYS' MACKINAWS

Values up to $7.50.....$6.00
Values up to $6.00.....$5.00



Exceptional Values in

MEN'S OVERCOATS

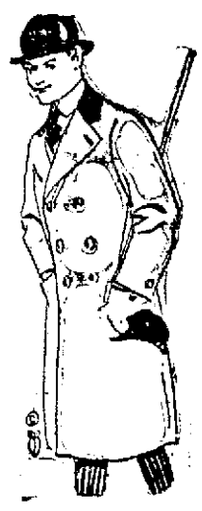
Over 300 coats to choose from in black kerseys, gray viennas and fancy overcoatings. Values up to $25.00. Preparedness price—

$20

Men's All Wool Black Kerseys or Fancy Mixtures, full box or pinch-backs. Values up to $20.00. Preparedness price—

$15

Plenty of Others at...$12.50 and up to $35



Boys' Overcoats



Boys' Long School Coats. Values up to $7.00. Preparedness price $5.00
Boys' Juvenile Overcoats. Values up to $6.00.....$3.95
Plenty of others at.....$7, $8 and $10

MEN'S UNDERWEAR

$1.50 Union Suits 95c
75c Shirts and Drawers..... 59c

MERRIMACK CLOTHING COMP'Y

OPEN FRIDAY NIGHTS—ACROSS FROM CITY HALL—OPEN FRIDAY NIGHTS

GERMAN NOTE DECLARES DEPORTATIONS JUSTIFIED

BERLIN, Dec. 11, via London, Dec. 12.—Germany's answer to the American note regarding the deportation of Belgians is confined almost exclusively to a presentation of the situation in Belgium before the deportation order became effective. The note declares there was urgent need of some kind of work for the Belgians because their idleness was causing demoralization, and says that the deported workers are assured of well-being in new situations in Germany.

The reply volunteers to permit American diplomatic representatives to visit the workmen's camps and assure themselves that the Belgians are well off. It concludes with an expression of regret that the United States has never seen fit to protest against what it describes as the dragging off of Germans from East Prussia, Alsace and other places to Siberia and elsewhere. These actions, of which it accuses the allies, are characterized in the reply as a severe violation of the laws of humanity.

Says U. S. Misinformed

The note declares that the German government is convinced the United States has been misinformed in regard to the measures which have been taken and says lack of work has increased until 1,250,000 are suffering and an unbearable situation is created. Nothing remained, therefore, the note continues, but to offer the unemployed situations in Germany since work for all was not at hand in Belgium. It is contended that the majority of those who have come to Germany are happy and contented, with high wages and increased personal liberties and that only those who prefer idleness have been compelled to work.

In Accord With Law

The answer declares that the measure is entirely in accord with international law and cites article 43 of The Hague convention, which requires an invading government to maintain order.

This, it is maintained, is possible, only in Belgium by providing that people who are able to work shall have opportunity to do so and shall not fall a burden on charity. The note says the measure has been carried out without severity and with all possible consideration. Mistakes, it asserts, have rarely occurred, and have been due in part to the fact that Belgians themselves erred in making up the lists of those to be transported to Germany by including persons unaffected by Governor General Bissing's order of May 15, 1916.

What Belgians Are Doing

The note goes on to say that Belgians now working in Germany are engaged without exception in occupations permissible under international law, such as legitimate agricultural and industrial pursuits, and that the German government regrets extremely that the situation has been completely misrepresented in the United States by the "lying press of Germany's enemies." The German government, it is declared, in the interest of the Belgian population, would also regret if the activities of the Belgian relief commission were affected.

16 KILLED IN RIOT

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 12, via London.—Sixteen persons were killed and several mortally wounded in a riot at Tourcoing on the occasion of the deportation of 500 civilians by the Germans, according to the Echo Belge.

The paper says that the riot started when one of the men ordered deported was struck on the head with a rifle butt by a German soldier because he did not walk fast enough. Thereupon the crowd of spectators rushed at the soldier and a general melee followed, the German troops using their rifles. The account says that a squadron of cavalry had to charge the crowd before order was restored and that 50 arrests were made.

PROTEST DEPORTATIONS

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A strong protest against the deportation of Belgians was made at a great meeting of the social democratic labor party held at Amsterdam yesterday, according to a Reuter's despatch from that city. Magistrate Kliegen of Amsterdam, the principal speaker, strongly condemned German methods in Belgium. A resolution was passed appealing to all lovers of freedom, especially German socialists, to protest against the deportations.

BILLERICA GARAGE

A new garage is to be erected in Billerica centre on the estate of Dr. Tyler, opposite the common. It is understood that a transaction for the transfer of the property has been practically completed and that final papers will be passed in a few days. The purchaser is J. Edward Allen, who is in the automobile business in Billerica at the present time. The Tyler property is located on the corner of Main and Andover streets in the centre of the village. It consists of a large house and barn which will probably be changed into a garage, and a big lot of land.

U. S. ARMY TRANSPORT AGROUND

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The United States army transport Sumner, bound from Colon to this port, with army officers, troops and civilians, was hard aground on the New Jersey coast off Barnsgat early today. Two coast guard cutters, the Seneca and Mohawk, left the scene early this morning.

The Sumner, which left Colon Dec. 4 was previously reported at noon Sunday as being 407 miles south of Sandy Hook. The next heard of the vessel was the wireless call last night stating that she had gone ashore during a heavy fog. The transport's normal complement is 11 officers and a crew of 115, but she has been carrying many soldiers stationed at Panama to and from the isthmus. The last time she reached this port, she carried 195 passengers.

A wireless despatch received here from the Sumner at 7 o'clock this morning, stated that the vessel was beginning to pound with the rising tide. The sea, however, was smooth and a light northwest wind blowing. The situation was considered favorable. The despatch read: "Rain at present; sea smooth; light ground swell; wind light, northwest, thick fog. Ship beginning to pound as tide is making up. Boat from life saving station standing by to pass lines to coast guard cutters Seneca and Mohawk."

WOMEN AND CHILDREN TAKEN IN LIFEBOATS

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The women and children among the 232 passengers on the United States army transport Sumner, aground on the New Jersey coast off Barnegat have all been taken in lifeboats and put ashore, according to a message received today from the Sumner.

The Bon Marche
DRY GOODS CO.

TOMORROW MORNING WE OPEN A

SALE OF PARTY DRESSES

A lucky purchase of Party Dresses bought in New York last week. Just 48 Dresses, all samples just completed, and the manufacturer was unable to get more of these beautiful materials except at such a tremendous increase in cost he decided he could not afford to duplicate them and so we bought these 48 dresses at one-half price.



EVERY DRESS A NEW CREATION

EVERY DRESS AN ADVANCE STYLE

EVERY DRESS WORTH DOUBLE WHAT WE ASK

Dresses worth $25.00, $29.50, $35.00, $40.00.

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These are exceptional values for anyone in need of a new serge dress. They are noteworthy for the excellent quality of men's wear serge used, the clever designing, and the careful manner in which they have been tailored. Some of the details of the styles—

Embroidery in bright colored silks. Box-pleated skirts. Satin sleeves. White flannel collars. Moyen Age lines.

Reduced Prices on Winter Coats

FOR WOMEN AND MISSES

29.50

Sealette Plush Coats trimmed with moufflon collar and cuffs; full length flaring models; fancy silk linings.

Formerly 39.50

18.50

Full flaring models of navy blue and Russian green wool velours, with beaver plush trimming.

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PRACTICAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS

The Waist Shop

May solve your Christmas problem of "what to give." There is always an endless demand for new Blouses and an equally endless supply of them. Some of the latest arrivals are

LACE-TRIMMED VOILE BLOUSES in dressy and tailored styles...95c

LINEN AND BATISTE WAISTS, with hand embroidery 1.95

CREPE DE CHINE BLOUSES, with collars of paisley silk.....2.95

GEORGETTE CREPE BLOUSES, hand embroidered, in colors...3.95

PAISLEY CHIFFON BLOUSES, with black velvet collars.....4.95

GEORGETTE CREPE BLOUSES, with trimmings of cream venise lace, 4.95

Silk Underwear

A gift any woman would be charmed to have another woman give her.

SILK JERSEY VESTS, plain hemstitched or embroidered styles, in flesh and white .....2.75 and 2.95

SILK JERSEY KNICKERS, in flesh, white and black.....2.95 and 3.95

ENVELOPE CHEMISES, of flesh and white crepe de chine, trimmed with thread lace and ribbons. 2.25, 2.95 and 4.95

NIGHT ROBES of crepe de chine, with tops of filet and valenciennes lace, ribbons and French roses, 3.95 and 4.95

CAMISOLES and BRASSIERES, of crepe de chine, washable satin and cluny lace,.....95c, 1.95 and 2.95

BOUDOIR CAPS of lace, net and pink, blue or white crepe de chine, 50c and 75c

POLICE COURT
Continued

been boiled down. Lessard was operating a motorcycle in the vicinity of Broadway and Fox street in Dracut on the afternoon of November 28th. As he was passing the house occupied by Mrs. Pauline E. Lachut, he ran over her dog and the machine inflicted injuries which later resulted in the dog's death. She claimed that the defendant did not stop his machine until she had shouted to her husband to stop the man and get the number of the machine.

Mrs. Lachut admitted that she was willing to settle the damage for $5 at the time of the accident but the defendant did not have the money with him and in court this morning she said she would not agree to that.

A number of witnesses were called on both sides and questioned by counsel, the greater part of their testimony being corroborative of that offered by the defendant and complainant.

Lessard said he was operating his machine at a rate of about 25 miles an hour and admitted running over the dog but returned, gave his name, the number of his machine and his residence, and later reported the affair to an officer in Dracut.

The court after considering the facts in the case found the defendant not guilty and ordered him discharged.

Heavy Fine Imposed

Vasilios Drakouleas entered a plea of guilty to a complaint charging him with assault and battery on William Christian and after counsel had explained the circumstances in connection with the case to the court the defendant was found guilty and a fine of $50 was imposed.

Fined $25 Each

Arthur L. Mercier and Blanche Feron, charged with a statutory offense, were found guilty and each ordered to pay a fine of $25.

Extremely Guilty

When John E. Horne was asked to plead to a complaint charging him with neglecting to provide for the support of his minor child he said, "I am extremely guilty." The court after conferring with the wife of the defendant and the prosecuting officer decided to continue the case until December 19th and in the meantime the defendant will be examined by two alienists as to his sanity.

Cases Continued

Elias Paquette and William Demarais entered pleas of not guilty to a complaint, which contained two counts, one charging them with operating an automobile on the first of December in a manner which endangered the lives and safety of the public and also with a violation of the motor vehicle law. By agreement of counsel the case was continued until the 28th of the month.

A Stubborn Child

Catherine A. Hodkin, who is not yet 18 years of age, was brought before the court on a complaint charging her with being a stubborn child. She wept bitterly while her father testified as to her actions. The court felt that there was a chance for the girl to reform and placed her on probation for six months.

Case Continued

Patrick J. O'Brien who appeared before the court yesterday morning on a complaint charging him with drunkenness, but whose case was continued after it was learned that he assaulted a man in Dutton street Sunday afternoon, reappeared in court this morning and Lawyer George F. Toye explained to Judge Enright that the man who was assaulted had provoked the assault and despite the fact that he is still in the hospital he does not intend to make any complaint. It was O'Brien's fourth offense for drunkenness, but counsel explained that if it had not been for the assault the man would not have been arrested for drunkenness. The court decided to continue the case until tomorrow in order that a further investigation in the matter might be made.

The Suit Club Case

Morris Friedman, aged 20 years, of Boston, who was placed under arrest yesterday afternoon by Sergt. McCloughry on a complaint charging him with the larceny of $1.50 in money, 50 cents each from Thomas F. Gallagher, William Curtis and Thomas Mullaney, entered a plea of not guilty through his counsel, Bernard Gould of Salem.

It is alleged that Friedman was connected with a so-called suit club where members paid 50 cents per week, drawings were made and as soon as a man would receive his number a suit would be delivered and he would then stop paying. The unlucky members of the club were guaranteed a suit after paying 50 cents per week for 50 weeks.

The case was continued until one week from tomorrow at request of counsel for the defense.

Drunken Offenders

Catherine McCarthy, charged with drunkenness, was given a suspended sentence to Sherborn. John Conboy was sentenced to the state farm. Louis Laflamme was given a chance to pay a $15 fine.

The case of Louis Polenski was called shortly after noon. He was charged with the larceny of $45 in money from John Kosloskie and also the larceny of a bed and commode the property of Stanley Alekk. After the complainant had offered his testimony the court adjourned and the case was continued until tomorrow morning.

"BELGIAN DAY" AT THE BAZAAR A SUCCESS

BOSTON, Dec. 12. — Belgian day proved an unqualified success at the National Allied bazaar yesterday, more than 30,000 persons crowding into Mechanic's building during the day and evening and enjoying the varied entertainment.

Yesterday's visitors were of the "buying" class and the management believes that $50,000 would prove a very conservative guess of the day's receipts.

During the four hours that the big bazaar was open to the public on Saturday evening $32,172 was taken in. Christmas shoppers were much in evidence. Everything imaginable in the form of gift can be secured. Subscriptions for automobiles and yachts were sold very rapidly yesterday.

The special feature of last evening's program was the singing of the Belgian national anthem in the main hall by Mme. Christine Evensael, a Belgian prima donna, assisted by a chorus of nearly 50 voices. They later sang "God Save the King," the Marseillaise" and "The Star Spangled Banner."

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

JEWEL THEATRE

AMATEURS TONIGHT

And MANTELL and HAMPER in "THE SPIDER AND THE FLY"

A FOX PLAY

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR CABARET AND DANCE

The members of the Kimball System baseball team met last night and elected the following officers for their cabaret and dance which will take place at Associate hall next Thursday night. General manager, Paul R. Clark; assistant, Philip Murphy; floor director, Arthur Lynch; assistant, John McVey; chief aid, Roland Falls; aids, James Liston, James Grant, Peter Condon, Orrin Allen, Herbert White, Thomas Clark, E. L. Kimball and Charles Curry. Treasurer oseph P. Calnan. The feature of the evening will be a concert and cabaret by the famous Queen City trio. This trio puts across a number of catchy songs and will certainly give the dancing public of Lowell a real treat Thursday night. They have just finished a week's engagement at the Colonial theatre in Lawrence, where they scored a big hit.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

Cabaret and Dance

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Featuring Queen City Trio

TICKETS 25 CENTS

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Thursday Night, December 14

AT ST. JOHN'S HALL

Refreshments Tickets 25c



NECKWEAR

When we say neckwear we really do say some-thing. Think it over, we have more than 7000 neckties for you to choose from. They sell for **25c, 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.50.** If there is a single color or combination of colors that you can't find in our selection, we'll do our best to get it for you. We do our ties up in nice new idea boxes, and will forward them to any part of the country for you.

OTHER HOLIDAY GIFTS IN CORRESPONDING ASSORTMENTS

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MACARTNEY'S

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LOOKS LIKE FORTUNE FOR LOWELL WOMAN

Mrs. Victoria Blouin of 15 Dempsey's place, this city, who claims to be the widow of F. X. Blouin, who died recently at St. Michel de Bellechasse, Que., and who left an estate valued at about $8,000, is, through her attorney, Arthur L. Eno, negotiating with the attorney in charge of Mr. Blouin's estate and she hopes within a short time to become the owner of the estate.

Mr. Blouin died a few weeks ago and in his will he appointed Dr. Simeon Bolduc of St. Michel de Bellechasse, administrator of his estate. The doctor wrote to Mayor O'Donnell in an endeavor to locate the wife of deceased and the letter was printed in The Sun with the result that Mrs. Victoria Blouin of 15 Dempsey's place came forward and filed a claim to the estate as the wife of F. X. Blouin, with whom she had not lived for a number of years.

The attorney for the estate, Alphonse Mercier of Quebec, was informed of the woman's claim and yesterday he informed Mrs. Blouin that there is no doubt in his mind as to the validity of her claim and he states it will be but a matter of a short time before the estate is settled. Accompanying his letter is a list of questions to be answered by the woman in order to prove her identity, and these questions have been answered.

LICENSE QUESTION ISSUE IN TODAY'S ELECTION

This is city election day and the polls opened at 6 this morning and will close at 4 p. m. After a quiet campaign considerable interest has cropped out in the past few days and contradictory claims are being made by the friends and supporters of the competing candidates.

The ballot is short and unusually simple and no difficulty is expected so far as the counting is concerned. In all probability the vote will be counted early in the evening. Most of the work during the campaign was of the quiet kind, but it has been reported that large bands of organized voters have been working for this or that candidate.

Aside from the contest for commissioner and the school committee the license question is the topic of the hour. The "no-license" forces have been claiming a victory in advance but the license supporters claim that the city will go license, though probably by a reduced majority. It was also commonly said that the unfavorable weather of this morning was in favor of license as the "stay-at-homes" in consequence would be in favor of no-license if they went to the polls. This year there has been a great deal of feeling in relation to the license question, pro and con and it may result in a heavy vote at the polls.

William C. McNamara, secretary of the Lowell no-license committee informed Mayor O'Donnell yesterday that the liquor interests were bent on carrying certain wards, and he asked that officers be specially assigned there. The mayor assured him that the law would be adequately enforced and that any infractions would be promptly dealt with.

MAYOR THANKS FORMER POLICE HEAD

Mayor James E. O'Donnell has taken official recognition of the services of former Superintendent of Police William B. Moffatt, who recently gave voluntary instructions to members of the department in the science of finger printing. During the hearing attendant on the removal of former Messenger John J. Finder the statement was made that but one man in the police department was capable of classyfying finger prints, and at that time Mayor O'Donnell wrote to Superintendent Welch stating that Mr. Moffatt would gladly instruct members of the police department in all relating to taking and classifying finger prints. Following is Mayor O'Donnell's letter to Mr. Moffatt:

December 8, 1916.

Mr William B. Moffatt,
Daniels Street,
Lowell, Mass.,

My Dear Mr. Moffatt: The identification system of the police department having been established on an efficient basis through your voluntary instructions in the science of finger printing, I desire at this time as commissioner of public safety to express to you my sincere thanks for the valuable assistance given the police department by you in this matter.

When you volunteered your services, the statement had been made that but one man in the entire police department was capable of classifying finger prints; but now it gives me pleasure to state that the department has four men who are proficient in this work and at least three others who are capable of acting as assistants to them whenever their services shall be required. Our identification department is now in first-class shape, and we are deeply grateful to you for the assistance you so cheerfully gave us.

Respectfully,
James E. O'Donnell,
Mayor and Commissioner of Public Safety.

ON DANGEROUS LIST

James Burnham, the Market street man, who was injured by falling machinery at the plant of the Avery Chemical Co., yesterday afternoon, is still in a precarious condition at St. John's hospital.

LOST TWO FINGERS

While working on a saw in the Cheney Box shop about 10 o'clock this forenoon a man giving his name as Evcord Lagette of 67 Westford street, suffered a painful injury to his left hand. Two fingers were cut off and the hand was badly bruised. He was removed in the ambulance to St. John's hopital.

SUN BREVITIES

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Racine Tires, Beharrell's.

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J. F. Donohoe, 228 Hildreth bldg., real estate and insurance. Telephone.

Ukuleles, steel guitars, banjo, mandolins, some choice ones, expert buyer. Hovey, Wyman's Exc.

Salem K. Hussen was arrested in this city yesterday by Inspector David Petrie on a capias issued by the superior court. Hussen, it is alleged, is wanted by the Boston police on a case of larceny.

U. S. ARMORY SERVICE

Rudolph Ayotte and Eugene Gagnon, both natives of Lowell, were accepted for service in the United States army by Capt. E. E. Bennett of Portland, Me., at Manchester, N. H., yesterday. Both men applied at the branch office in Nashua and were transferred to Manchester.

POLITICAL CRISIS IN RUSSIA

PETROGRAD, Dec. 11, via London, Dec. 12.—The swift procession of political events which has been making a new chapter in Russian history has come to a temporary halt awaiting the final decision of the government. The present situation is as follows:

A majority of both parliamentary chambers, for the first time in their existence, presents a united front against the government and a series of extraordinarily sensational accusations against the present cabinet, and disclosures of government inefficiency and corrupt influences have been crystallized into the more dignified shape of a demand for a ministry which can be supported by the legislative bodies and the public opinion of the nation.

Both chambers are firm in their insistence upon not merely a changed personnel in the ministry but the final elimination of those "dark forces" which formed the topic of so many impassioned utterances in the Duma and the imperial council. It is impossible to go closely into details, but the present upheaval can be accepted in outline as a tremendously patriotic protest against the efforts of the German party and all other influences which have attempted to interfere with the successful prosecution of the war.

The last word apparently has been said in both chambers. Half of the extreme right faction in the Duma has seceded from the party since the scandal caused by the insult offered President Rodzianko by the reactionist deputy, Markoff, and the imperial council, reflecting for the first time in its history the popular voice, has by an overwhelming majority allied itself with the Duma. The next move undoubtedly will be made by the government. In the meantime, pleas new to Russia for a "responsible ministry" are heard everywhere and the newspapers print long articles anticipating the new regime, which is regarded as inevitable. A rumor is current to the effect that the change in the cabinet will not be announced before the solemn assembly of both houses in the winter palace.

THE NEW FRENCH CABINET IS COMPLETED

PARIS, Dec. 12, 12.30 p. m.—Premier Briand announced today that he had completed reconstruction of the cabinet and that the list will appear in tomorrow's Journal Officiel. The premier is expected to make a statement to parliament tomorrow.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—Premier Briand speaking to a group of reporters last night said: "There is nothing absolutely positive as yet but you can announce that the new government will in all probability appear in the chamber of deputies Wednesday."

Some of the deputies are not satisfied with the plan of a concentrated ministry and desire to condense parliament. Deputy Georges Bonnefous has introduced a bill for the creation of a parliamentary committee of national defense which will continue for the duration of the war. The committee would consist of 30 delegates elected by the deputies and forty elected by the senate. The committee would meet weekly to consider information relative to the military, diplomatic and economic conduct of the war as communicated by the government. The chamber and the senate would hold a brief session not more than once a month, to transact necessary business and ratify the decisions of the committee.

POOR CAR SERVICE

When Car No. 1378, which came from Westford street and was due in Merrimack square at some time around 8 o'clock, but arrived at 8.12, reached the depot this morning every seat was occupied, the front vestibule was filled, and the rear was filled to overflowing, while there were people standing on the fender on the rear of the car. The register showed that 118 passengers had boarded the car from the time it left Tyler park until it reached Merrimack square.

FIRE IN CLOSET

An insignificant fire in a closet in a garage at 550 Moody street late yesterday afternoon caused an alarm from box 148, corner of Perkins and Ward streets. The damage was slight.

ELECTIONS IN 17 CITIES

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Sharp contests for city offices in many instances marked the elections held in 17 of the cities of this state today. Strong efforts to sway the annual vote on the legalizing of the sale of liquor had been made in all the municipalities by advocates and opponents of the license policy.

The cities voting were Attleboro, Beverly, Everett, Lynn, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Newburyport, Newton, Revere, Somerville, Woburn, Chelsea, Chicopee, Lawrence, Lowell and Worcester.

CONSTANTINE DESIRES TIME

LONDON, Dec. 12.—An Amsterdam despatch to the Times says that Count Reventlow, the well known German military critic, declares that King Constantine now desires to gain time to enable the Germans to concentrate a relieving force. The count is quoted as adding that it is uncertain if the Greek supplies will last long enough to permit the Germans to come to their assistance.

NO SCHOOL BELL

No afternoon session was held in the public schools of the city today on account of the heavy rain. There was school this morning but box 222 sounded at 1.45 o'clock this afternoon, notifying the pupils not to return.

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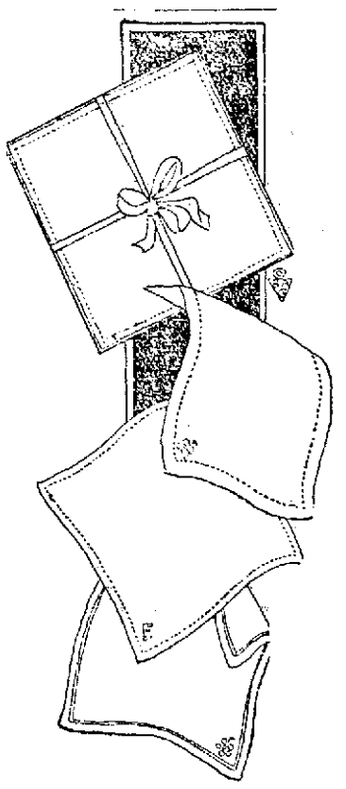
Women's Hemstitched Lawn Handkerchiefs, embroidered in colors or all white, neatly packed in a pretty box .....Box of 6, 75c

Women's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, embroidered in colors or all white.
Box of 4 for 50c

Women's Pure Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, daintily embroidered. 6 in a box, different styles. ..... Box of 6, 75c and $1.50

Women's Plain Linen Handkerchiefs, 1/8 and 1/4 inch hem.
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Men's White Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, with colored border....Special at 12½c



Women's Hand Embroidered Madeira Linen Handkerchiefs, with scalloped edge and dainty one corner embroidery.
Exceptional value at 25c Each

Women's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, embroidered in white.....Box of 3 for 25c

Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, in neat designs, embroidered in one corner.
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Men's Pure Linen Hand Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs, best quality Irish linen, with plain and embroidered initial. Regular sizes, 1/4 inch hem.....Box of 6, 75c and $1.50

Men's Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, in colors or all white .....50c Each

Children's Handkerchiefs in white and colors, different styles, 3 in a box .....12½c, 15c, 19c and 25c
See Window No. 17

Men's Hand Drawn Fine Linen Handkerchiefs.
Priced 25c, 37c and 50c
Street Floor

FANCY NOVELTIES IN VARIED ASSORTMENT

Collar cases, sewing baskets, pin cushions, hat pin holders, shoe trees, utility bags, skirt hangers, vanity cases, pin books, sachets. Priced from ..... 25c to $1.49

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Made from ribbons from our ribbon department—such as coat hangers, sewing bags, boudoir caps, talcum boxes, bonnet rosettes, carriage straps and fancy bags.

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MAYOR AND MORSE

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have started other jobs of the same kind if I only had the tar."

Commissioner Morse further declared that only for a shortage of essentials, much work of the kind the mayor objects to could be done even later in the season. He said that the mayor was either misinformed or does not quite understand that method of street construction. He said, moreover, that he is sure of the soundness of his position.

Kimball Co. Plans

The lands and buildings department received from the R. D. Kimball Co. of Boston, this morning the plans and specifications for the heating, ventilating and electrical work on the new high school, and bids on same will be called for right away, tomorrow, if possible.

The heating and ventilating plans are on one contract and the plans for electrical work are on a separate contract. In accordance with the wishes of the advisory board and the municipal council, provisions are made for a possible municipal power plant, and if it is decided to omit this feature later it can be done so.

Tax Collections

The board of assessors have committed to the city collector, Andrew G. Stiles, a warrant embracing a supplementary list of poll taxes for the year 1916 in the amount of $1,2[illegible]. This amount is additional to that committed to him on the original warrant of Sept. 9, 20, 6, and contains a list of all persons assessed since then, including those who have registered as voters.

The board has also been empowered to levy between the 10th and 20th of December the additional taxes for the year 1916 when information has come into possession of the board later than the commitment of the original assessments. This is done annually at this time.

Permits

Among the buildings permits issued at city hall for the past few days are the following: To Henry Achin, Jr., for a two-tenement dwelling at 9 Plymouth street, each apartment to have 5 rooms and bath. The building will be of two and one-half stories and the estimated cost is $3800.

Standard Bottling company, for bottling factory at the corner of Westford and Stedman streets, one story building, cost, [illegible].

Louise and Andrew L. Keefe, to repair fire damages in building at Broadway and School street, $500.

Eva M. Wright, piazza at 320 Wilder street, cost $500.

MATRIMONIAL

Edwin Edward Dudley of Fitchburg and Miss Eileen Ethel Howell of this city were married Dec. 9 at the home of the bridegroom in Fitchburg by Rev. Samuel D. Ringrose. The bridesmaid was a sister of the bride, Miss Letitia Howell, while the best man was a brother of the groom, Charles S. Dudley. The couple will make their home in Fitchburg.

APPOINTED ORGANIZER

Mr. Arthur A. McCullough, the well known chess and checker player, has been appointed organizer for the Catholic Fraternal league in Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill. Mr. McCullough has many warm friends in all three cities but especially so in Lowell, his home city.

Rac's Olive Oil, pt.....45c
Camphoratd Oil, pt.....40c
Castor Oil, pt.....35c
Mineral Oil, pt.....35c

TALBOT'S CHEMICAL STORE
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CLASSIFIED ADS.

Received Too Late for Classification

POCKETBOOK lost last Tuesday on Spaulding, Moody or Aiken sts., contained money and receipts. Return to Donat Lamour, 11 Spaulding street. Reward.

BILLFOLD, containing sum of money, lost, Monday downtown. Reward at 100 Westford st., upstairs.

YOUNG MAN wanted, 17 years old or over, as office clerk. Good opportunity. Write P 76, Sun office.

TEAMING, TRUCKING, piano and furniture moving. Yards and cellars cleaned. Dumpcart by the day or hour. Reasonable prices on all jobs. Hugh Mcgregan, 63 Bartlett st. Tel. No. 4848.

PROF. ZRAZAHAN MARZABAN—Palmist and astrologist. Egyptian seer. Special 50c reading, 25 Dutton st. Hours: 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. Bring this advertisement today and tomorrow and name will be given free.

ROSARY BEADS, amethyst, lost Friday evening, Dec. 8, on Lawrence or Moore sts. Reward if returned to 8 Olive st.

SALESWOMAN wanted, high grade, good position for the right person. Only a saleswoman of the highest standard need apply. Call Lowell Gas Light Co. Appliance Store, 198 Merrimack st., between 5 and 6 o'clock p. m.

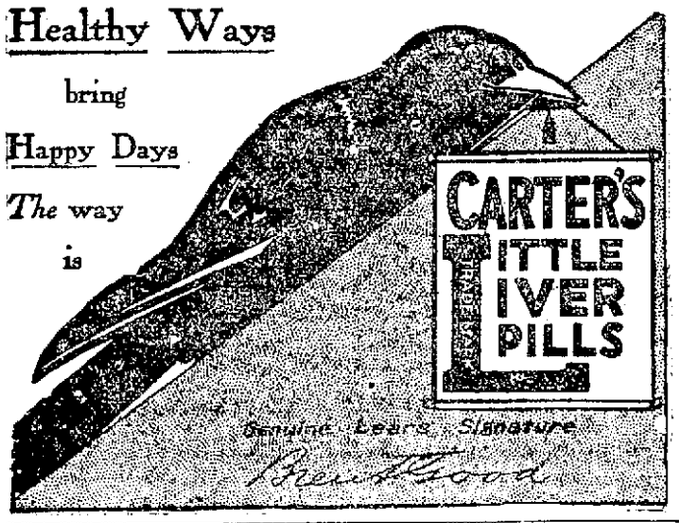
COTTAGE for sale, two and one-half stories, 8 fine rooms, only 3 minutes' walk to Davis square; price and terms to suit buyer. Inquire of M. Quealy, 41 Royal st. Tel. 2958-W.

TWO UNFURNISHED ROOMS to let, suitable for light housekeeping. 93 Chestnut st.

FRENCH POODLE, all white, lost Sunday morning. Finder please return to 511 Lawrence st.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Beatrice E. Keen, late of Lowell, Mass., in the County of Middlesex, of the deceased, intestate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to (Address) 15 Fairfax street, Lowell, Mass. Dec. 11, 1916.
Morton M. Walker, Adm.
d 12-19-26

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TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Allis Chalmers	32½	30	30¾
Am Beet Sugar	104	101	101
Am Can	59	55¼	55¼
Am Can pf	114⅛	114¾	114⅝
Am Car & Fn	76½	72	72
Am Car & Fn pf	119¾	119¾	119¾
Am Cot Oil	52	51¼	51¾
Am Hides L Com	16½	15½	15½
Am Hide & L pf	76⅞	73	73½
Am Locomo	90	85¾	85¾
Am Locomo pf	107¼	107⅜	107⅜
Am Smelt & R	113¾	109⅞	109⅞
Am Smelt & R pf	115⅝	115½	115½
Am Sugar Rfn	114⅞	112	113
Anaconda	85½	84⅛	85⅛
Atchiso.	104⅜	103⅞	103⅞
Atchison pf	100¾	100¾	100⅝
Baldwin Loco	78⅛	74⅝	74⅝
Balt & Ohio	85	84½	84¾
Beth Steel	600	599	599
Balt & Ohio pf	74⅝	74⅝	74⅝
Br Rap Tran	83¼	83	83¼
Cal Pete	23¾	23¼	23¾
Cal Pete pf	57	54	55¾
Canadian Pa	164¼	164⅞	165½
Cast I Pipe Com	25	22⅞	22⅝
Cast I Pipe pf	65	65	65
Cent Leather	111½	104⅝	105
Cent Leather pf	117	116	117
Ches & Ohio	66⅝	64¾	64⅞
Chi & Gt W Com	14⅝	14	14
Chi & Gt W pf	42	40⅝	41
Chi R I & Pac	37⅛	36	36
Chile	26⅞	24½	25
Col Fuel	54⅛	51	51
Consol Gas	136	133½	133½
Corn Products	26⅛	24⅜	24½
Corn Products pf	108¾	106½	108¾
Crucible Steel	82⅝	76¾	76⅝
Den & Rio G pf	43	41	43
Del & Hud	50	50	50
Del L & W	239	238	238
Den & Rio G	18	18	18
Dis Secur Co	41⅛	40	40
Erie	36⅝	35¾	36⅛
Erie 1st pf	51⅝	51⅛	51⅜
Erie 2d pf	42⅝	42⅛	42⅜
Gen Elec	178½	176	176½
Gen Motors	750	750	750
Goodrich	68⅛	66½	66½
Gt North pf	41⅞	40	40
Gt N Ore ctf	117½	116½	117½
Illinois Cen	106⅝	105	105
Int Met Com	17⅜	17¼	17¼
Int Met Com pf	72½	72⅜	72⅜
Int Mer Marine	44⅝	40½	40½
Int Mer Marine pf	116⅝	112	112
Int Paper	63¾	57	57
Int Paper pf	107	104⅝	104⅝
Kan City So	26⅛	25⅛	25⅜
Kan & Texas	9⅝	9	9⅜
Kan & Tex pf	20	19	19
Lehigh Valley	80½	79⅝	79⅝
Louis & Nash	130	130	130
Maxwell	70½	68⅝	69
*Maxwell 1st	79¾	79	79
Maxwell 2nd	50	49½	49½
Mexican Petroleum	106¾	102¾	103
Missouri Pa	18	17	17
Nat Lead	63¾	63½	63½
Nat Lead pf	113	112¾	112⅝
N Y Air Brake	165	157½	157½
N Y Central	106½	105	106
Nor & West	137	135½	136⅝
No Am Co	71	70	70⅛
North Pacific	110½	110	110
Ont & West	30	29⅝	30
Pacific Mail	26⅝	25⅝	26⅛
People's Gas	106⅞	106⅞	106⅞
Pennsylvania	56½	56⅛	56⅝
Pitts Coal	62⅞	48⅛	48⅝
Pressed Steel	83	78½	78½
Pullman Co	164	164	164
Ry St Sp Co	57⅞	54	54
Reading	108⅝	106¼	106½
Rep Iron & S	85¾	80⅞	80⅞
Rep I & S pf	116⅜	116	116⅛
St Paul	92	91⅜	91⅝
Sloss-Sheffield	79	75	76½
So. Pac	98⅛	97½	97⅝
Southern Ry	29⅞	28⅛	29
Southern Ry pf	68	68	68
Studebaker	119⅝	118⅛	118½
Tex pac	18⅛	18	18
Tenn Copper	24⅝	24¼	24⅜
Third Ave	50½	50¾	50¾
Union Pac	144½	143½	143½
Union Pac pf	83½	83½	83½
U S Ind Alcohol	135¼	124¾	124¾
U S Rub	68⅝	66	65¼
U S Rub pf	114	113½	113½
U S Steel	123	118⅝	118⅝
U S Steel pf	121½	121	121
U S Steel 8s	106	106	106
Utah Copper	119⅝	113½	113⅝
Va Chem	46¼	45⅝	46¼
Westinghouse	59½	56½	56⅝
Western Un	101	101	101

*Ex-Div.

BOSTON MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
RAILROADS			
Boston & Albany	176½	176½	176½
Boston Elevated	79½	79½	79½
Boston & Maine	44	43	43
N Y & N H	56½	56	56
MINING			
Adventure	5	5	5
Ahmeek	118	118	118
Alaska Gold	12½	12¼	12¾
Allouez	74	71	72
Algomah	1¾	1¾	1¾
American zinc	56	53¾	53½
Arcadian	6	5½	5½
Arizona Com	15¾	14⅛	14⅜
Butte & Superior	68	66	66⅞
Cal & Arizona	87	84	84⅛
Cal & Hecla	555	575	580
Centennial	22	22	22
Chino	65⅝	63	63½
Copper Range	74⅛	71	71¼
Daly-West	3½	3	3
E Butte	17⅛	16½	17
Franklin	10⅝	9	9⅛
Granby	101¾	97	99
Greene-Cananea	50	49¾	49¾
Hancock	19½	17½	17½
Indiana	4⅝	4⅜	4⅜
Inspiration	66⅞	62⅝	63⅜
Isle Royale	38	36	37
Kerr Lake	4¾	4¾	4⅜
Lake	14	13½	13½
La Salle	5	5	5
Mass	16¾	15½	16
Mayflower	3	3	3
Miami	44⅞	41¾	42⅛
Michigan	3⅞	3⅞	3⅝
Mohawk	103	100	101
Nevada	30½	29	29⅜
Nipissing	9	9	9
New Idria	16	16	16
North Butte	26	24	24⅜
No. Lake	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛
Old Colony	25	25	25
Old Dominion	77	75½	75½
Osceola	98½	96	97
Quincy	98½	94	94½
Ray Con	31⅝	29½	29¾
Santa Fe	2	2	2
St Mary	97	96	96
Shannon	10½	9¾	9¾
Shattuck Ariz	32	30	30
Superior	16½	16	16½
Superior & Boston	6⅞	6½	6⅝
Tamarack	45	44	44
Trinity	7	6½	6½
Tuolumne	2⅛	2	2
U S Smelting	72⅝	72	72
U S Smelting pf	52	52	52
Utah-Apex	4	3⅞	4
Utah Cons	20¾	19	19
Utah Metal	7	7	7⅜
Wolverine	52½	49	50
Winona	5⅜	5½	5⅜
TELEPHONE			
New Eng Tel	125	125	125
Am Tel & Tel	125⅞	125½	125½
MISCELLANEOUS			
Am Ag Chem Com	98	98	98
Am Ag Chem pf	103¼	103	103¼
Am Pneumatic	1½	1½	1½
Am Woolen	52¾	48½	48⅝
Am Woolen pf	96⅜	95⅝	95⅝
Island Creek Coal	69	66	66
Mass Gas	95	95	95
Mass Gas pf	81	80¾	80½
Mass Elec	3	3	3
Mass Elec pf	28	28	28
Pond Creek	22⅛	21½	21⅞
Swift & Co.	152	150	150⅝
United Fruit	158⅝	156	157⅜
United St M	58½	57¾	57¾
Ventura	9⅜	9¾	9¾

TRADING WAS BROKEN AND MORE ACTIVE

RECESSIONS OF A POINT OR MORE IN NUMEROUS IMPORTANT ISSUES

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Yesterday's reactionary trend was carried to greater lengths at today's opening, with recessions of a point or more in numerous important issues such as U. S. Steel, leading coppers and other metals, petroleums, motors and specialties of less definite character. Rails also yielded though in more moderate measure. Trading was broader and more active, but individual offerings with the exception of steel were mostly small. Among the few stocks to register gains were Central Leather, Atlantic, Gulf & West Indies and Pressed Steel Car.

Exchanges

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Exchanges $754,461,917; balances $33,133,040.

Boston Market

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Copper shares without exception fell off in price after word of German peace proposals today. Mohawk and Copper Range, with losses of 3 points each, represented the extreme drop at noon.

Cotton Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Cotton futures opened steady. December 17.60; January 17.72; March 18.00; May 18.20; July 18.24; October 16.48.

Hurried Selling

NEW YORK, Dec. 12. The first intimation of peace proposals was followed by hurried selling, particularly of war issues. Bethlehem Steel leading with a precipitate decline of 26 points with 15 for Gulf States Steel. U. S. Steel showed an extreme reversal of 4 points and others of that group fell away abruptly. Coppers also proved vulnerable at recessions of 2 to 5 points, with similar losses in equipments, shipping stocks, sugars and rubbers. Rails were unsettled with declines of 1 to 2 points in high grade shares. Liquidation continued throughout the forenoon with further impairment of prices.

Anglo-French 5's were at a new low record and exchange on the Teutonic countries was at greater discounts than at any time since the war.

CHANCELLOR INFORMS REICHSTAG OF PEACE PROPOSALS

BERLIN, Dec. 12, by wireless to Sayville.—Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech in the reichstag is reported by the Overseas News agency as follows:

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg today announced to the reichstag that Germany, together with her allies "conscious of their responsibility before God, before their own nations, before humanity" had proposed this morning to the hostile powers to enter on peace negotiations.

Virtually all the members of parliament answered the unexpected summons. The crowded house and thronged galleries listened in attentive silence when the chancellor rose for his speech.

The chancellor first outlined the extraordinary political situation and then, insisting upon the achievements of the central powers, made an announcement which possibly may be the turning point in the war which for more than two years has held the world under its spell. The chancellor said:

"The reichstag had not been adjourned for a long period, but fortunately it was left to the discretion of the president as to the day of the next meeting. This decision was caused by the hope that soon happy events in the field would be recorded, a hope fulfilled quicker, almost, than expected. I shall be brief, for actions speak for themselves."

The chancellor said Rumania had entered the war in order to roll up the German positions in the east and those of Germany's allies. At the same time the grand offensive in Somme has as its object to pierce the German western front and the renewed Italian attacks were intended to paralyze Austria-Hungary.

"The situation was serious," the chancellor continued. "But with God's help our troops shaped conditions so as to give us security which not only is complete but more so than ever before. The western front stands. Not only does it stand but in spite of the Rumanian campaign it is fitted out with larger reserves of men and material than it had been formerly. The most effective precautions have been taken against all Italian diversions. And while on the Somme and on the Carso the drum-fire resounded while the Russians launched troops against the eastern frontier of Transylvania, Field Marshal von Hindenburg captured the whole of western Wallachia and the hostile capital of Bucharest, leading with unparalleled genius the troops that in competition with all the allies made possible what hitherto was considered impossible.

"And Hindenburg does not rest. Military operation progressed. By strokes of the sword at the same time firm foundations for our economic needs have been laid. Great stocks of grain, victuals, oil and other goods fell into our hands in Rumania. Their transport has begun. In spite of scarcity, we could have lived on our own supplies, but now our safety is beyond question.

"To these great events on land," the chancellor continued, "heroic deeds of equal importance are added by our submarine. The spectre of famine, which our enemies intended to appear before us, now pursues them without mercy. When, after the termination of the first year of the war, the emperor addressed the nation in a public appeal, he said: 'Having witnessed such great events, my heart was filled with awe and determination.'

"Neither our emperor nor our nation ever changed their minds in this respect. Neither have they now. The genius and heroic acts of our leaders have fashioned these facts as firm as iron. If the enemy counted upon the weariness of his enemy, then he was deceived.

"The reichstag by means of the national auxiliary war service law, helped to build a new offensive and defensive bulwark in the midst of the great struggle," the chancellor continued.

"Behind the fighting army stands the nation at work—the gigantic force of the nation, working for the common aim."

"The empire is not a besieged fortress, as our adversaries imagined, but one gigantic and firmly disciplined camp with inexhaustible resources. That is the German empire, which is firmly and faithfully united with its brothers in arms, who have been tested in battle under the Austro-Hungarian, Turkish and Bulgarian flags. Not confused by asseverations, we progressed with firm decision, and we thus continue our progressed, always ready to defend ourselves and fight for our nation's existence, for its free future and always ready to stretch out our hand for peace.

"Our strength has not made our ears deaf to our responsibility before God, before our own nation and before humanity. The declarations formerly made by us concerning our readiness for peace were evaded by our adversaries. Now we have advanced one step further in this direction.

"On Aug. 1, 1914, the emperor had personally to take the gravest decision which ever fell to the lot of a German the order for mobilization which he was compelled to give as a During these long and earnest years of war the emperor has been moved by a single thought: How peace peace could be restored to safeguard Germany after the struggle in which she has fought victoriously.

"Nobody can testify better to this than I, who bear the responsibility for all actions of the government. In a deep moral and religious sense of duty towards his nation and, beyond it, towards humanity, the emperor now considers that the moment has come for official action towards peace.

"His majesty therefore, in complete harmony and in common with our allies, decided to propose to the hostile powers to enter into peace negotiations. This morning I transmitted a note to this effect to all the neutral powers which are watching over our interests and rights in the hostile states. I asked the representatives of Spain, the United States and Switzerland to forward that note.

"The same procedure has been adopted today in Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia. Other neutral states and his holiness the pope have been similarly informed."

Wednesday Steak Day

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Saunders' Market

Last week our Big Steak Sale was such a wonderful success that we have decided to make Wednesday of each week known as "Saunders' Steak Day."

Visit our store tomorrow, look over the big window display of steaks, note the heavy grade of beef cut from Corn-Fed Western Steers. Then compare our prices with the figures you are forced to pay elsewhere, and the result will prove that Saunders' Market can sell meats from 5 to 7 cents per pound less than any other store in Lowell.

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ROUND STEAK — 20c CUTS BOTTOM ROUND, lb.....15c; ROUND CUT THROUGH, lb. .....17c; 28c CUT TOP ROUND, lb. 23c

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VEAL STEAK, lb. 17c..... | HAMBURG, lb. .....10c | PORK STEAK, lb.....14c

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$15, $19.75 to $29.75, Hudson Seal, $7.50, $12.50 to $32.50

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FUNERALS

DWYER—The funeral of the late Mrs. Eliza A. Dwyer took place this morning at 9.30 o'clock from her home, 140 Pleasant street and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The cortege proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church, where at 10 o'clock a solemn high mass of requiem was sung by the pastor, Rev. Lawrence Tighe, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. Fr. Healey, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. Fr. Hahon, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. There were many beautiful floral tributes including a pillow from husband, and pieces from mother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Dwyer, Mrs. B. Conroy, the Boyle family, Mr. and Mrs. James Dwyer, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Dwyer and family, Mr. and Mrs. William McNulty of Somerville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Riley and son, Aunt Mary of Stoneham, Mr. and Mrs. John McSorley, Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas, friends of Lowell police department, F. R. Atkinson, Miss Mary Farquharson, Mr. and Mrs. P. Harrington and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rourke, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Saunderhauf, Mr. John Bodkin and family, the Misses Emma and Carolyne Vellie of Somerville, the Misses Sweeney, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher McSorley, Mrs. Frederic Fleming, Mrs. Lawrence Mooney and family, the Dougherty family, Miss Julia Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Owen J. Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Mooney, Mrs. Elizabeth Crotty, Mr. and Mrs. William Sexton, Miss Catherine Tighe, Mr. Henry Tighe, Mrs. Marguerite Angier and family, Miss Mary Gleason, Mr. Daniel H. Walker and Miss Marguerite Tighe.

The bearers were Thomas F. Boyle, Eugene F. Malone, John Douglas, John F. McSorley, Patrick J. Mooney and John H. McNabb. At the grave Rev. Owen McQuade, O.M.I., read the committal prayers and the burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

QUINN—The funeral of the late Thos. H. Quinn took place this morning at 9.30 o'clock from his home, 1 West Burnside avenue, and was largely attended by sorrowing friends and relatives, including a number from out of town. Among the latter were Miss Bessie Quinn and Miss Bessie Cox of Boston, Frank Quinn of Lynn, Mass., Mrs. Samuel Sharples of Thorntons Ferry, N. H., Miss Elizabeth Cawley of New Bedford, Mass., Miss Annie Wiest and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jones of Lawrence; also present at the services were Commissioner Charles H. Morse, Supt. of Streets John Blessington and Supt. of Sewers Patrick McCann. The cortege proceeded to St. Michael's church, where at 9.45 o'clock a mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Henry Tatlan. There were many beautiful floral tributes, including a pillow inscribed "Father" from the family of deceased; wreath inscribed "Grandpa," Mrs. Mary Etta Keefe and family, and pieces from his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sharples, James A. Sheehan of Lowell and Frank Quinn of Lynn, Mass., O'Donnell families, warp and spool room of the Merrimack Mfg. Co., Miss Mae Bradley, John C. Martin family, Misses Mary and Lilla Dooley, Mrs. William Keefe and family, Charles Kilbride, John F. Fogan, Thomas O'Brien, John Murphy, Martin Cordingly, John Curley, Mrs. John Nerney, Miss Julia Lamo, Miss Mary Cox, Thomas M. O'Brien and Mrs. Charles H. Kimball. The bearers were Anthony McDermott, James McLean, Patrick Sharkey and James Gannon. At the grave Rev. Fr. Mullin read the committal prayers, and the burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

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DECEMBER

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.28	6.50	2.35	3.38
6.25	7.29	6.00	7.03
6.47	7.30	z6.35	8.17
b6.38	7.53	7.13	8.24
6.57	8.0[illegible]	7.45	8.31
7.21	8.0[illegible]	nb8.21	9.31
s7.28	8.45	8.45	9.49
7.56	8.37	9.00	9.39
8.56	9.37	9.30	10.06
nb9.22	10.35	11.30	12.09
9.27	10.25	12.30	1.05
10.19	11.25	h1.05	1.55
10.25	11.40	2.00	3.10
11.15	11.45	3.00	3.47
12.15	1.00	b3.14	5.00
z1.27	2.40	4.00	4.30
1.56	2.30	s4.14	5.34
2.30	3.27	5.00	5.39
b3.30	4.1[illegible]	b5.21	6.07
3.55	4.35	5.35	6.29
4.15	5.26	b5.54	7.10
5.15	6.0[illegible]	6.14	7.23
5.33	6.30	8.00	8.35
b6.02	7.1[illegible]	8.30	9.08
6.22	7.05	9.50	10.45
8.15	8.57	10.30	11.27
9.45	10.31	11.40	12.36

b Via Bedford. s Via Salem Jct. z Via Wilmington Jct. n not run on Holidays. h Saturdays only.

Portland Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.35	7.36	9.15	10.32
7.54	8.45	10.50	11.58
9.40	10.58	11.50	12.36
10.59	12.07	3.30	4.41
12.05	1.13	5.14	6.13
3.42	4.41	6.03	7.05
5.14	6.44	6.40	7.37
7.07	8.15	9.49	11.14
10.15	11.28		

Sunday Trains

Southern Division

6.47	7.30	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.05	9.30	10.09
8.25	9.31	11.30	12.08
9.14	10.06	1.00	1.59
10.20	11.17	5.30	6.21
2.52	3.35	7.15	8.20
5.10	6.00	8.00	8.38
6.28	7.10	8.30	9.08
8.15	8.57	9.20	10.25
8.45	9.53	10.29	11.33
9.45	10.40		

Portland Division

8.20	9.30	8.00	9.18
12.07	1.15	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.06	3.30	4.45
5.45	7.00	5.20	6.36
8.55	10.04	8.45	9.47

KEY TO FIRE ALARM BOXES

1 All box numbers commencing with the figure one, as 12, 13, etc., up to 131 are located within a radius of about one-half mile from the North common, extending from Dutton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.

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4 All box numbers commencing with four, are located in the Ayer's City and Bleachery districts, extending from Edson cemetery northerly to Hale street and from Chelmsford street easterly to Concord river.

5 All numbers commencing with five, are located in the upper Highlands and Middlesex Village.

6 All numbers commencing with six, are located in Centralville.

7 All numbers commencing with seven, are located in Pawtucketville.

8 All numbers commencing with eight, are located in Belvidere.

THREE GAMES IN WATERHEAD LEAGUE

Three interesting and well contested bowling matches were rolled in the Waterhead league on the Middlesex alleys last evening. Teams One, Six and Five outrolled Teams Three, Two and Four, respectively. Buchanan of Team One had the best total and Ecklund of Team Two made the highest single string.

In two games rolled on the Merrimack alleys in the Broadway league, the Bandits beat the Red Sox by one pin, and the Indians defeated the Bunnys.

Waterhead League

TEAM 1

Shafter	93	97	96	286
Lane	85	103	83	271
Fletcher	88	98	83	269
Selstedt	86	89	100	275
Buchanan	97	104	90	291
Totals	449	491	452	1392

TEAM 3

Fuller	94	77	92	263
Parker	65	61	77	203
Field	82	82	79	243
Boyle	82	76	79	237
McElroy	82	85	90	257
Totals	405	391	417	1203

TEAM 2

Hartley	78	78	66	222
Bax	74	71	80	225
McDonough	69	88	78	235
Ecklund	82	91	111	284
T. Collins	72	68	97	237
Totals	375	396	432	1203

TEAM 6

Pearson	89	89	95	273
Larson	61	81	63	205
Leigh	108	83	76	267
Erickson	95	95	98	288
Shepard	89	88	93	270
Totals	449	436	425	1303

TEAM FOUR

	1	2	3	T'ls
Hansen	71	67	67	205
Burke	92	79	84	255
Hildreth	83	79	80	242
R. Collins	83	81	80	244
Barber	76	85	81	242
Totals	405	391	392	1188

TEAM FIVE

Ward	89	84	85	258
Hughes	80	80	72	232
Anderson	86	86	73	233
Angelo	80	91	83	254
Lindquist	91	93	98	285
Totals	423	434	411	1268

Broadway League

RED SOX

	1	2	3	T'ls
J. Shugrue	77	92	89	258
T. Smith	83	111	104	298
Broadbent	94	98	88	280
Kane	76	85	78	239
Griffin	102	96	89	287
Totals	432	482	448	1362

BANDITS

McMahon	94	75	105	274
Murphy	77	81	87	245
Flynn	94	95	84	273
Donovan	87	103	93	283
J. O'Brien	97	95	98	280
Totals	429	449	467	1363

INDIANS

Cadden	96	84	90	270
J. Donovan	108	83	96	287
Lynch	79	91	86	256
Turgeon	82	101	80	273
Teague	89	86	87	262
Totals	454	445	490	1345

BUNNYS

Rourke	71	82	80	233
Hamp	77	70	67	214
Morrison	112	84	83	279
Kelly	84	86	91	261
R. O'Brien	101	112	110	323
Totals	445	434	431	1318

Les Miserables League

WOODBINES

A. Chappelle	86	88	107	281
C. Kenefick	95	84	91	270
T. Cardin	93	84	80	257
J. Jodoin	105	99	93	297
J. Buckley	104	108	90	292
Totals	483	463	461	1407

WAUSHAKUMS

T. Clark	77	104	85	266
E. Preston	81	110	96	287
J. King	98	83	91	272
F. Gillis	92	89	96	277
A. Doyle	107	95	112	314
Totals	455	481	480	1416

STALLINGS SLATED TO MANAGE CUBS

FRED MITCHELL MAY REPLACE HIM AS HEAD OF THE BOSTON BRAVES

According to a rumor which had its origin at the big baseball meeting in New York city, the question of Manager George Stallings of the Boston Braves being sold to Chicago to lead the Cubs is being earnestly discussed. If Stallings is allowed to go, it is understood, Fred Mitchell will succeed him in the Braves' camp.

A long conference was held yesterday afternoon and evening in the Harvard Varsity club, New York city, between President Weegham of the Chicago Cubs and President Haughton of the Braves. Stallings is willing to go to Chicago, and the Boston club is said to be holding off to get more out of the deal. President Haughton is understood to be anxious to see Mitchell in charge of the Braves.

CHANGES PROPOSED IN WORLD'S SERIES

IT IS SUGGESTED THAT NINE GAMES BE PLAYED INSTEAD OF SEVEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Many subjects of considerable baseball interest were discussed informally by the big league magnates here yesterday. One of the chief topics was proposed changes in the rules governing the world's series.

Several of the owners expressed the opinion that radical changes would be adopted by the National league and submitted to the American league for ratification.

Garry Herrman, chairman of the national baseball commission and president of the Cincinnati club, stated that he was heartily in favor of playing the 1917 series under an entirely different system.

Herrman said he advocated a series based upon the winning of five out of nine games; lower prices of admission, and the distribution of a portion of the players' share of the receipts among members of the second, third and fourth teams in the order of their finish at the close of the pennant race.

He said he believed that with the series lengthened there would be greater opportunity for the fans from all parts of the country to see the games, and admission charges could be lowered without lessening the aggregate receipts.

WEST AND KELLY IN DRAW

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 12.—Chick West of Holyoke and Harlem Eddie Kelly fought a 12-round draw last night. It was a slambang bout all the way. West's punches in several of the rounds rocked Kelly's head frequently, while the same was true of the Holyoke boy.

The card was one of the best here this season. The semi-final between Fighting Pat Flynn and Young Disco, both of this city, was a thriller. Buck Daley of Holyoke bested Babe Lamere of North Adams in the preliminary.

CORNELL ELECTS SHIVERICK

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Fritz Shiverick, Cornell's star quarterback, last night was elected captain of the 1917 Cornell football team.

HAVERHILL WANTS MORE

The members of the Haverhill high football squad have been instructed to remain in training in preparation for two post-season engagements, one possibly with Brookline high and one with the Manchester, N. H., high team. The latter tied Haverhill several weeks ago. If the Haverhill management will agree a game will be played next Saturday.

Brookline high does not seem partial to any more football, as it broke training Nov. 30.

PHINNEY BOYLE HAS BUSY WEEK

Phinney Boyle, the local lightweight, has two stiff engagements for this week. Tonight at Boston, Boyle will attempt to take Mickey Donnelly, who hails from Newark, N. J., into camp, while on Thursday he will renew acquaintances with Larry Hansen at Lawrence.

Donnelly is slated to cause the local lad considerable trouble during the twelve rounds that the bout is scheduled to go, as he has fought nearly all the leading featherweights in the east with varied successes. He is described as a rushing, tearing sort of boxer who delights in having his opponent mix with him, but he will not get Phinney to trade wallops as Boyle realizes that his speed and cleverness will enable him to secure verdicts over men of the boring type.

According to accounts, Boyle will need all of his cleverness if he is to keep out of the way of the wild punches. Donnelly delights in swinging and hooking about with painful results if they land on his opponent. The Newark boy has a long list of knockouts attached to his record, that is, he has hung the sleep punch on his opponents' chin.

Boyle reports that he is in excellent shape for the coming encounters and says that he will win both fights as he feels confident that inside boxing will offset a rugged fighter nine times out of ten. Both Hansen and Donnelly are sluggers pure and simple and Boyle will have his work cut out for him if he cops the decision over two such classy men.

Joe Eagan of South Boston will meet Jeff Smith of New Jersey, in the final twelve round bout and if Eagan has one of his goods nights, he will cause Smith much worry. Smith has fought all over the world and is one of the choice few that have annexed a win over that wonderful Australian Les Darcy. He recently gave Mike Gibbons a strenuous argument at St. Paul.

Gardner Brooks of this city is also listed for a bout tonight. Jack Sharkey of New York, will be his vis-a-vis at the Pioneer Sporting club and some fight ought to develop if the local bantamweight is in fine fettle. Brooks has not participated in a ring go since Mike Brown defeated him in this city last Spring and the long layoff will probably affect his distance. If he defeats Sharkey, Brooks has been promised a mill with one of the topnotch bantams at the same club and Gardner will be out there trying all the time for the coveted prize.

BOX 12 ROUND DRAW

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 12.—Jimmy Farren of Boston and Kid Lee of Chelsea battled 12 fast and clever rounds last night at the Congress A.C., with the general opinion that it was a draw. Charlie Pearson of Providence drew with "Dusty" Krool of Fort Williams in six rounds, and Kid Johnson of Portland quit after getting a beating from Dave Bolte of Fort Williams in one round.

THE FAME OF WHISTLER

A very pleasant time was enjoyed at the Whistler house last evening when many members of the Art association gathered to hear an informal talk by Frank Edwin Elwell, the sculptor who spoke before the Women's club in the afternoon. Mr. Elwell said that the fame of Whistler is a proof that the theories voiced at the club were true as the artist in the man has blotted out all the mean, petty or superficial things that critics and biographers have made so much of. He said that the picture of Carlyle is the greatest portrait since the days of Botticelli, and among the greatest names in the roll of truly American artists are Whistler, Inness, LaFarge and St. Gaudens. An informal reception was held and refreshments were served by the hospitality committee.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

CARPENTIER WANTS TWO CHANGES IN CONTRACT

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Tex Rickard, who with Samuel McCracken, is negotiating for a 10-round bout between Jess Willard, the heavyweight champion of the world, and Georges Carpentier of France, Europe's premier heavyweight boxer, announced yesterday that a cablegram had arrived in which the French boxer expressed himself as willing to oppose Willard provided that several changes were made in the contract forwarded to Paris. This is the first definite word that has been received from the French heavyweight since the announcement that negotiations were under way for the bout. At that time it was announced that contracts had been sent to Paris for Carpentier's signature and a reply was expected daily.

The changes referred to in the cablegram received had to do with the division of the motion picture money and the amount of expense money allowed the French boxer. These did not satisfy him, and Mr. Rickard authorized a reply to the effect that the changes would be made, so that the contract would be acceptable to the French heavyweight.

Mr. Rickard also announced that he knew definitely that Les Darcy, the Australian boxer, was on his way to this country. "I have received positive information that Darcy is on board the steamship Hattie Luckenbach," said the western promoter, "and I expect soon to hear that he has landed safely in this country." This clears up the mystery that has surrounded the whereabouts of Darcy since the news of his leaving Australia was first made public.

Asked what progress he had made toward securing a lease of Madison Square garden, Mr. Rickard said:

"The matter is not settled, and I do not believe it will be for several days."

KILBANE OUTBOXES MILLER

Latter Was Lucky to Avoid Knockout in Twelve Rounds of Milling in Ohio Last Night

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 12.—Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion, outboxed, outgeneraled and outclassed Alvie Miller of Lorain in a 12-round bout here last night.

The early rounds were tame, but from the sixth round on Kilbane tried to land a knockout, only to have his efforts cancelled by the persistent tendency of Miller to cover and go into his shell.

LEAGUE OWNERS DEFY NATIONAL COMMISSION

BALK ON PAYMENT OF NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO BROOKLYN NATIONAL CLUB

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—At their annual meeting yesterday the International league owners threw down the gauntlet and defied the national commission, regarded as the supreme court in organized baseball.

After considerable discussion it was decided not to abide by the rules of the commission, which would compel the Newark club to pay $5000 to the Brooklyn baseball club owners.

Originally, Charles Ebbets, on behalf of the Brooklyn club owners, made a claim of $74,000 on the Newark club for its International league franchise, and the national commission finally ordered the Newark club to pay $5000.

When Pres. Barrow of the International league announced this action, after the meeting had adjourned yesterday, he was asked if his organization intended to defy the ruling of the national commission, and he simply replied:

"I have just told you what action the league has taken in the matter and have nothing more to say."

The International league delegates endorsed the efforts of the National Association of Minor Leagues to have the three Class AA clubs relieved from the draft rule. J. Calewine, Oakland, Cal.; Pres. John T. Hickey, American association, and Pres. Barrow were appointed at the recent convention at New Orleans as a committee for this purpose and in furtherance of this request they will call upon the National league delegates at their meeting here today. They will leave for Chicago tonight in order to bring the matter before the annual meeting of the American league there on Thursday.

HELP WANTED

FEW GIRLS wanted, 16 years of age and over, for packing room. Steady work and good pay. Apply W. H. Bagshaw Co., Warren street.

WOMAN wanted for light housekeeping. 392 Westford st. Tel 83-M.

THOUSANDS MEN—WOMEN wanted. $100 month. Government jobs. Vacancies constantly. Write immediately for list positions obtainable. Franklin Institute, Dept. 174 A, Rochester, N. Y.

CAPABLE GIRL wanted for general housework. Call afternoons at Dows' Drug Store, 7 Bridge st.

SUSPENDER WEB WEAVERS wanted at T. Martin & Bro. Mfg. Co., 100 Cambridge st.

FREE—12 decorated teacups and saucers for selling 24 popular song books at 10c each. Write T 13, Sun Office.

ALL ROUND MACHINISTS with at least four years' experience, wanted, good pay. Middlesex Service Bureau, 398 Middlesex st.

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LANNIN HAS MORTGAGE ON RED SOX CLUB

"BRONCHO BILL" ANDERSON SAID TO BE BACKING FRAZEE AND WARD IN PURCHASE

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Baseball men say that the backer of Frazee and Ward in the purchase of the champion Boston Red Sox is "Broncho Bill" Anderson of movie fame. This information comes from several American league men who have been investigating the sale of the Red Sox by Joseph J. Lannin to H. H. Frazee, Hugh Ward and Willie Collier, the actor.

Frazee and Ward already have seen Ban Johnson here and, it is said, they have admitted Anderson's part in the big deal. When the American league meets on Thursday the sale of the Red Sox probably will be confirmed and the new owners will be formally admitted. President Johnson's circuit is in a flourishing condition and with the exception of the Red Sox case, only routine business will occupy the time of the club owners.

They will also adopt the new form of player's contract by a unanimous vote and also will instruct Johnson to vote for Herrmann's re-election to the commission.

J. J. Lannin is out of the Red Sox, but he retains a mortgage for nearly half the sale price of the ball club. However, it is expected that this indebtedness will be largely reduced within a year.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF GOLF ASSOCIATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Every active club in the United States Golf association was urged to send a delegate to the annual meeting of the association here Jan. 12 in a letter sent out by Howard F. Whitney, secretary of the association. Mr. Whitney instructs the clubs that matters of "vital importance" need careful consideration and that it is essential to the sport that every club be represented. It is hoped that the question over the present amateur rule may be threshed out to a final and definite conclusion.

In addition the delegates will be asked to vote upon the courses which have been suggested for the three annual tournaments. Five clubs, all in the west, are in line for the national amateur event. These include the Flossmoor Country club, Flossmoor, Ill.; Glenview club, Golf, Ill.; Kent Country club, Grand Rapids, Mich.; and the Oakmont Country club, Hulton, Allegheny county, Pa.

In the open tournament the delegates will be asked to select from the following five courses: Brae Burn Country club, West Newton, Mass.; Fox Hills Golf club, Stapleton, N. Y.; Shawnee Country club, Shawnee-on-the-Delaware, Pa.; Shenecossett Country club, New London, Conn. and Whitemarsh Country club, Chestnut Hill, Pa.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

NICE COTTAGE of 7 rooms for sale; near Kinsman st.; one repair inside and out; $1250. M. Quealy, 11 Royal st. Tel. 2558-W.

FOR SALE

SHOE REPAIRING SHOP for sale, first class, with motor and finishing bench, all tools necessary, well established. Write E39, this office.

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LARGE CORNER STORE to let, at 601 Middlesex st.; rent reasonable. Apply by phone 5148.

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SPORTING NEWS

That Lowell sports appreciate good racing regardless of the outcome was demonstrated last week when Nelles and Burke appeared in three roller skating races. Nelles won all events, but the fact that Burke put up a game fight, and gave the Lowell boy a battle all the way appealed to the crowd, and all were loud in their praise for the plucky exhibition put up by the Bridgeport man.

Lowell may soon have an opportunity of seeing the world's champion roller skater. Manager Moore of the local rink is conducting negotiations with Crone, the title holder, despite the fact that the champ in his first reply almost wanted the rink in return for his presence here. A counter proposition was submitted to him, which the local rink manager thinks that if he desires to risk his title, he cannot refuse to accept.

A running race between Tony [illegible] of the Mathews and James Crowe of the C.Y.M.L. Cadets against Fred [illegible] of the [illegible] club, will be the next attraction at the Rollaway.

Lowell bowlers are enjoying a good season and all the alleys report a brisk business.

The proposed bout between Georges Carpentier and Jess Willard is attracting considerable attention.

Lowell boxers are again in the limelight, with Boyle, Brooks and Sheppard in condition and ready to meet any men in the country at their respective weights.

Jimmy Gardner, who a few years ago was one of the best boxers in the game, is training hard with the intention of soon attempting to "come back." His many Lowell admirers wish him success, and sincerely hope that he will be able to show the ability that made him famous and feared by all men of his weight in the country. Lowell friends of Jimmie, who have seen him lately, declare he is in the pink of condition. His health is excellent and training does not tire him in the least.

LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Catherine M. Mahoney, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Mary J. Mahoney, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

65-12-15

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SEAL FUR COLLAR lost Friday, Dec. 8, on Gorham st. jitney or between Gorham and 181 Moore st. Reward. Tel. 478-R.

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DR. HARRINGTON DEAD

Word has come to this city of the death in Grand Junction, Col., of Dr. Robert Brine Harrington, who spent a term at the Tewksbury State hospital about 10 years ago after having completed his medical studies at Tufts Medical college. He was the son of Mrs. Frances Brine Harrington and the late John Harrington, and was born in Somerville. He leaves a wife and twin daughters. At the time of his death he was county and city physician at Grand Junction.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

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TWO CHILDREN BURN TO DEATH

Relative Tried In Vain to Save Them at North Pelham, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Sleeper, Formerly of Lowell, Lost Home

NORTH PELHAM, N. H. Dec. 12.—Paul Edwin Sleeper, aged 6, and his brother(Graham, aged 5, children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Sleeper, were burned to death by a fire in their home last night, supposedly caused by the capsizing of an oil lamp, and the Sleeper bungalow, into which the family moved only Sunday, was burned to the ground. The loss is estimated at $1000 and there is no insurance.

Sleeper has been a resident of the town for several years and is highly respected. He works nights as an engineer for the Nashua Gummed and Coated Paper Company and was almost overcome when notified by telephone of the tragedy. He had built the bunalow himself, out of his own savings. It is on the Mammouth road, connecting Concord and Lo-

Mrs. Sleeper had left home at 6 last evening to visit the home of her brother, Joseph Selvas, nearby. She had just left the Selvas home for her own, about 6.30, when her daughter Ethel, aged 7, came running toward her in night clothes, dragging her younger sister, Rena, 1½ years old. Seeing her mother she screamed that the house was afire and Mrs Sleeper ran toward the house.

When she tried to enter it, she was partly overcome by the flames and smoke. Selvas meantime had arrived and he vainly tried to rescue the children. He fell unconscious, and before he was brought out he had suffered minor burns about the body. After an hour's work, Dr. Henry O. Smith of Hudson revived him, but he is still in bad shape, having inhaled smoke and flames. Selvas is at the home of Dr. John Blackman, nearer the scene of the fire, where he was brought at first.

The Sleepers and the two children were taken in by Mrs. Ellen Woods, a neighbor. The Sleepers came here several years ago from Lowell, Mass. The bodies of the two children, burnt beyond recognition, were taken out of the debris after the fire subsided and were taken in charge by an undertaker.

LICENSE BIG FEATURE IN LAWRENCE

LAWRENCE, Dec. 12.—Although it is an "off year" in the sense that no mayor is to be elected this year, today's election promises to be a spirited one here. Active interest is being displayed in each of the contests to be balloted on, both sides in each have made arrangements to bring out a big vote and there is every indication of a total of over 10,000 votes being cast. An active campaign started here since Haverhill, Salem and Fall River went dry and has stirred the license forces to activity, and it is expected that there will be a heavy vote cast on the license question. Last year the majority in favor of license was materially larger than the preceding year but the no-license forces are endeavoring to reverse conditions this year, especially since Haverhill went dry, and they claim there is a strong livelihood of Lowell doing likewise.

THE LOWELL GUILD

At the meeting of the Lowell Guild, held in the guild home, Dutton street, yesterday afternoon, a large attendance heard the reading of the monthly report by Miss Holland, the superintendent. Miss Edith Stott, president, presided. A summary of the report is as follows:

The total number of nursing visits caring for the sick in ohe homes was 984; milk station calls instruction in the homes, 394; pre-natal visits, 25; babies at conference, 50; new babies taken on, breast fed 6, home modification 14, station modification 8; material relief, milk quarts 711, grocery orders 19; co-operating agencies, Knights of Columbus Guild, truant officer, Anti-Tuberculosis league, Humane society, Lowell Social Service league, police station, Lowell General hospital, Lowell hospital; clothing given, three boxes women's clothing, three boxes children's clothing, one baby's outfit, five pairs shoes, one baby carriage.

Talks given on personal health and personal hygiene: Barry Shoe shop, Ipswich hosiery, Hatch's box shop, Miss Martin's Camp Fire Girls, St. Anne's Camp Fire Firls, care of the baby and modification of milk, Vocational school.

Attention is called again to the value of visiting nurse associations and milk stations in making people realize that intelligent care means not only life, but also health and happiness, to many people who would otherwise suffer seriously.

The sum of $700 has been received from subscriptions and more is expected before Jan. 1. Cordial support for this work is earnestly solicited, as the object of the milk station especially is the conservation of the next generation through the prevention of the needless waste of infant life.

BRITISH EMPIRE AT WAR WILL BE RUN BY FIVE MEN, LLOYD GEORGE AT HEAD



ARTHUR HENDERSON — BONAR LAW — LORD CURZON — LLOYD-GEORGE — LORD MILNER

Concentrating the direction of the British end of the war in the hands of five men—Premier David Lloyd George, Lord President of the Council Earl Curzon (to be government leader in the house of lords), Chancellor of the Exchequer Andrew Bonar Law (to be government leader in the house of commons), Arthur Henderson and Lord Milner (the last two ministers without folio)—places far more power in the hands of the prime minister than the British governmental system has ever known before. Mr. Lloyd George's proposals to Premier Asquith were for a war council, of which the premier could not be a member, although he should have the power of passing on its work. Mr. Lloyd George has not hesitated to place himself in the position more closely resembling a dictatorship than he was willing to give his predecessor.

David Lloyd George was denounced in Tory circles just before the war began as the man who was "dragging the country to the dogs" by his "socialist" measures.

Starting life as an inconspicuous Welsh solicitor, he escaped notice until 1890, when, at the age of thirty-seven, he entered parliament as member from Carnavon, Wales. Five years later he was appointed a member of the Campbell-Bannerman cabinet, holding the portfolio of president of the board of trade. When Asquith became premier in April, 1908, Lloyd George took over the portfolio of chancellor of the exchequer, where he soon became the best hated enemy of the Tories and a popular idol of the people at large.

Since then he has grown in popular esteem and power until he was looked upon as the logical leader for the kingdom in the present crisis.

Andrew Bonar Law, who has been a member of parliament for sixteen years, was an iron merchant and formerly a member of the firms of William Kidstons & Sons and William Jacks & Co., both of Glasgow. He was born in Canada and is the first colonial to head the Unionist party.

Mr. Law was appointed secretary of state for the colonies in the coalition cabinet formed last year after being leader of the opposition in the house of commons since 1911.

Lord Curzon, who is fifty-seven years old, has had long experience in foreign affairs, his most important post being viceroy of India, where he served during 1899-1905. Prior to this he had been undersecretary of state for India and later for foreign affairs. He has been lord of the privy seal of England since 1915. Since the beginning of the war he has been active in the recruiting campaign. He was married to an American, Miss Leiter, who died, and his engagement to another American, a widow, has been announced.

Arthur Henderson, leader of the Labor party in the house of commons, resigned from the Asquith cabinet, in which he held the post of president of the board of education, in August of this year. On Nov. 3 he was appointed minister of pensions a newly created post made necessary by the war. He started life as a molder in the works of Robert Stephenson & Co. Mr. Henderson has been a member of parliament since 1903, and during 1908-10 was chairman of the parliamentary Labor party.

Lord Milner, who was among those mentioned as successor to Lord Kitchener as secretary for war, has long been identified with Egypt and South Africa. He has had a distinguished record as a colonial administrator, and he has been one of the leading advocates of conscription.

W. E. SWIFT ELECTED MAYOR OF AUGUSTA

DEMOCRATS ELECT MAYOR AND ALDERMEN AT WESTBORO MAINE

AUGUSTA, Dec. 12. Willis E. Swift republican, was elected mayor of Augusta for two years yesterday by a plurality of 581 over E. Maynard Thompson, democrat, and Calvin Carr, independent. The vote: Swift, 1617, Thompson, 1036; Carr, 22. The aldermen-elect are Oscar P. Anderson, Virgil T. Trossait, Henry O. Parmenter, J. O. Blanchette, Charles B. Philbrick, Arthur G. Hopkins and Burton Gudnas republicans and Amos E. Cunningham, democrat.

WESTBROOK, Dec. 12. — Oscar K. Robinson, democrat, was elected mayor of Westbrook yesterday over Hugh A. Cragie, republican, who had a plurality of 120 a year ago. The democrats elected all three aldermen at large and four of the six ward aldermen. The board stood last year, nine republicans and four democrats.

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GREEK ARMY TO RESIST ALLIES

King Constantine Has Over 10,000 Troops Ready In Athens

Looks for German Thrust In Macedonia — Important Speech

BERLIN, via Tuckerton, Dec. 12.—The centre of military gravity has shifted suddenly to Greece, where further developments are awaited here with the keenest interest. Wireless communication with Athens has been re-established and a wireless report reaching Sofia gives the following survey of the situation:

King Constantine has, in Athens alone, over 10,000 troops loyal to him. Reservists and volunteers are hurrying to the colors all over Greece. Their number should soon reach 100,000. The feeling in Greece against the entente is strained almost to the breaking point. A single thoughtless act or new tactlessness on the part of the allies may cause an explosion. It is confidently hoped in Greek government circles that events will shortly take place in Macedonia which will liberate Greece from the clutches of the entente and make a quick end of the critical situation."

Expectation is keyed to the highest pitch in this connection by the sudden summoning of the reichstag and the announcement that the chancellor will deliver an important speech on the military and political situation today. Political circles here are indulging in the liveliest speculation as to what the chancellor will disclose.

It is known that the visit of King Leopold of Bavaria to headquarters, whence the chancellor, too, has just returned, is connected with the forthcoming announcement. That something of almost unprecedented moment is in the wind is further indicated by the kaiser at this time conferring the grand iron cross on Hindenburg, together with a personal letter of a warmth calculated to make a tremendous effect on public opinion. While it is understood the chancellor will go exhaustively into the military situation in Roumania, it is said that this is by no means the main theme of his heralded speech.

The Berlin Gazette is able to say in connection with the chancellor's speech, that events now occurring in the southeast had caused the government to plan summoning the reichstag as soon as they had sufficiently progressed, but that developments had come so much faster than was expected that it was decided to call the reichstag together sooner than was planned. The chancellor is expected to disclose certain information of both military and political nature of the utmost importance for the further development of the general political situation.

FRANK EDWIN ELWELL AT WOMEN'S CLUB

Frank Edwin Elwell of New York, the noted sculptor who made the Lilley and Bonney monuments in the Lowell cemetery, kindly consented to fill in an open date at the Middlesex Women's club yesterday afternoon. His talk was entitled "Why Honesty is the Soul of Art," and in the development of his theme he stated many original ideas on a great variety of subjects. The central idea of his talk was the need for art appreciation in America and more especially the need for appreciation of American art and American artists.

"We live in a house of clay," said Mr. Elwell, and it is hard to see the ideal. Yet, there have always been priods of art. There was the stone age, the iron age, the copper age, and the golden age, and now we have the tin can age. No nation can hope to perpetuate itself without some form of art, and there are great possibilities for are in this country. Why, then, cannot we have an age of art in America? One of the difficulties, he thinks, is the system of education, and we keep adding to its details of throwing away the discard."

The lecturer said that it is a sad opportunity on public taste that our wealthy men run after second rate junk from Europe instead of helping artists of real genius here at home. In its great haste to make money and to enjoy itself in a mad round of pleasures America has forgotten beauty and lacks the repose which is necessary for the cultivation of art. There was a promise with St. Gaudens and Innes but "they have passed into the next room and we are back to the junk heap." A few, he said, educated at Ecole des Beaux Arts, try to keep alive the tradition, but there is little encouragement. He would have museums for American art only in every city instead of the "museums of faked masterpieces" that are now so common.

Mr. Elwell said that in the cultivation of art and the ideals of art is one of the hopes of the future race, because it is contrary to the spirit that brought about the present. War, he said, is degradation and is not patriotism and if the soldiers realized their personal dignity and their relation to the Supreme they would throw down their arms and let the rulers fight it out alone. He sees a happy change coming and things that "soon it will be as popular to go to the studio of a living American painter as to patronize some foreign Barnum of the artistic profession who comes here to be lionized by American society. The Greeks gave the world the highest ideal of physical beauty and America can give the world the greatest spiritual beauty.

In conclusion he spoke of the spirit of art and the instincts of the real artists, bringing his talk up to a revent climax and oftentimes steering a courageous course through controversial subject. His lecture bristled with epigrams and though one might be inclined to question some of his deductions he spoke throughout with force, originality and distinction.

PUT U.S. NAVY'S NEEDS AHEAD

Secretary Daniels Asks Authority Over Steel Plants

Drastic Defense Measures to Be Urged Upon Congress

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The attention of congress was directed sharply yesterday to matters relating to both the army and navy, which are expected to be productive of agitation for even more drastic measures of national defense than have yet been seriously considered.

Secretary Daniels before the house naval committee advocated legislation which would compel steel companies and other private concerns to give preference to government orders for military supplies. He will submit a new section for the pending naval appropriation bill for this purpose in order to hasten battleship construction, which, he declared, was being delayed by commercial work both in the yards of private builders and in the steel plants.

Secretary Baker wrote Speaker Clark in response to a house resolution that 71,824 out of the grand total of 163,800 National Guardsmen taken into the federal service up to Aug. 31, were without previous military training. Rejections of enrolled guardsmen for various causes operated later to increase the number of raw recruits to approximately 60 per cent. of the force.

To Cite British Cabinet Crisis

In this connection also, army officers charged with the duty of studying events of the European war, both political and military, made preparations to contend before the congressional military commission that the fundamental reason for the cabinet crisis in England was the volunteer military policy there prior to the passage of the conscription act.

The experience of Great Britain is viewed by those officers as the strongest argument for the establishment of universal military training in the United States as urged in the report of Maj. Gen. Hugh Scott, chief of staff, and to which the entire American general staff is committed.

Another aspect of the National Guard situation came from Quartermaster-General Sharpe, who told of a $25,000,000 deficiency incurred by the war department to equip any pay state troops now in the federal service. If an average of 75,000 men are retained on the border until June 30, he said, the deficiency will be $50,000,000. The universal training advocates are expected to use these figures in contending that prohibitive cost would be the result of the present system if the nation needed a great army.

Delays In Naval Program

Secretary Daniels explained to the naval committee a statement in his annual report as to the delays encountered in getting the building program authorized by the last session under construction. He pointed out that no satisfactory bids have been received for the four battle cruisers of the 1917 battle program, nor any bids at all for three of the four scout cruisers. They are new types, but vitally necessary, in the opinion of the general board, the secretary said, and added:

"Every time we make a change and advancement in design, the shipbuilders want to stick to the old plans."

The secretary will ask $6,000,000 a year for the equipment of government yards to build ships. He inserted a statement in the committee record showing his approval of the general board's recommendations for 12-gun, 23-knot, 42,000-ton battleships in the 1918 program at a probable cost per hull and machinery alone of $15,500,000 each. The ships will carry 16-inch 50-calibre guns, the most powerful weapons ever designed for naval use, mounted three to a turret.

Would Promote Boatswain Hill

The secretary recommended abolition of the naval prison at Portsmouth, N. H., and the establishment there of a marine barracks for 1000 men. He said that marine detachments from the Naval academy, the Boston and New York navy wards and elsewhere would be concentrated at the new post, while the prisoners would be sent to the prison ship Southery at Portsmouth.

Mr. Daniels praised the services of Boatswain Hill, commanding the Southery, and approved a suggestion by Representative Roberts that he be made a commander in the navy by act of congress.

Extension of facilities for enlisted men to enter the Naval academy was urged by the secretary, but he disapproved the suggestion for early graduation of midshipmen to fill vacancies in the service. He intimated that he might ask later that the pay of all enlisted men on first enlistment be raised to encourage recruiting, but did not go into details.

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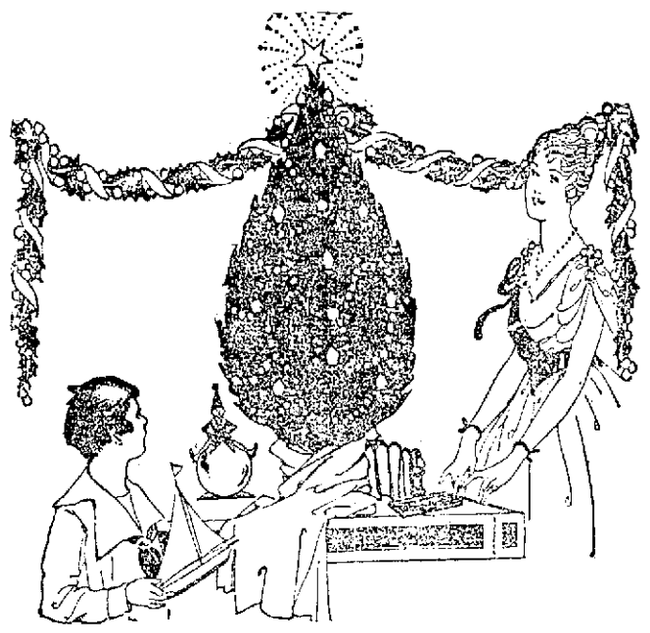
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TO END THE WAR

Germany, Austria, Turkey and Bulgaria Propose Peace

Propositions, According to Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, Will Establish Lasting Peace—Proposals Transmitted to the Vatican

BERLIN, Dec. 11, via wireless to Sayville—Germany and her allies today proposed to enter forthwith into peace negotiations. The propositions which they will bring forward are, according to Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, appropriate for the establishment of a lasting peace. The Austrian, Turkish and Bulgarian governments are making similar proposals. These proposals have been transmitted also to the Vatican.

The following announcement was given out today by the semi-official Overseas News agency:

"The chancellor this morning received one after another the representatives of the United States of America and Spain and Switzerland—that is, of the states [illegible]cting German interests in hostile foreign countries. The chancellor transmitted to them a note and asked them to bring it to the knowledge of the hostile govern[illegible]. The note will be read today in the reichstag by the chancellor.

"In the note the four allied (central) powers propose to enter forthwith on peace negotiations.

"The propositions which they bring for such negotiations are, according to their firm belief, appropriate for the establishment of a lasting peace.

"The governments at Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia transmitted identical notes and also communicated with the Holy See and all other neutral powers."

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LICENSE QUESTION ISSUE IN TODAY'S ELECTION

This is city election day and the polls opened at 6 this morning and will close at 4 p. m. After a quiet campaign considerable interest has cropped out in the past few days and contradictory claims are being made by the friends and supporters of the competing candidates.

The ballot is short and unusually simple and no difficulty is expected at the polls. In all probability the vote will be counted early in the evening. Most of the work during the campaign was of the quiet kind but it has been reported that large bands of organized voters have been working for this or that candidate.

Aside from the contest for commissioner and the school committee the license question is the topic of the hour. The "no-license" forces have been claiming a victory in advance but the license supporters claim that the city will go license, though probably by a reduced majority. It was also commonly said that the unfavorable weather of this morning was in favor of license as the "stay-at-homes" in consequence would be in favor of no-license if they went to the polls. This year there has been a great deal of feeling in relation to the license question, pro and con and it may result in a heavy vote at the polls.

William C. McNamara, secretary of the Lowell no-license committee informed Mayor O'Donnell yesterday that the liquor interests were bent on carrying certain wards, and he asked that officers be specially assigned there. The mayor assured him that the law would be adequately enforced and that any infractions would be promptly dealt with.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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DISASTROUS FIRE IN TOWN OF MERRIMACK

HAVERHILL, Dec. 12. The adjoining town of Merrimac was swept by a disastrous fire at 2 o'clock this morning resulting in the total destruction of the Merrimac Plating works, John Murphy proprietor, together with his barn and damaging his residence, complete loss of the carriage factory and residence of S. P. Pease and badly damaging [illegible] [illegible]. The wires of the telephone exchange were burned out and also the electric light wires. The loss is estimated at $25,000. Help was summoned from Haverhill and Amesbury.

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TWO COAL BARGES SANK IN STORM; THIRD ADRIFT

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 12. Two coal barges in tow of the tug Dewitt C. Ivins bound from New York for Boston sank off the Brenton's Reef lightship during a storm early today, and the third barge of the tow broke adrift. A man and a woman were rescued after being thrown into the water when the barge Frank Muhlenberg went down and the only man on board the other lost barge, the name of which has not been learned, was saved. The barge St. Daniel with one man on board, was drifting toward Point Judith when last seen. The tug put in here, and it was planned that she should go in search of the St. Daniel later in the day.

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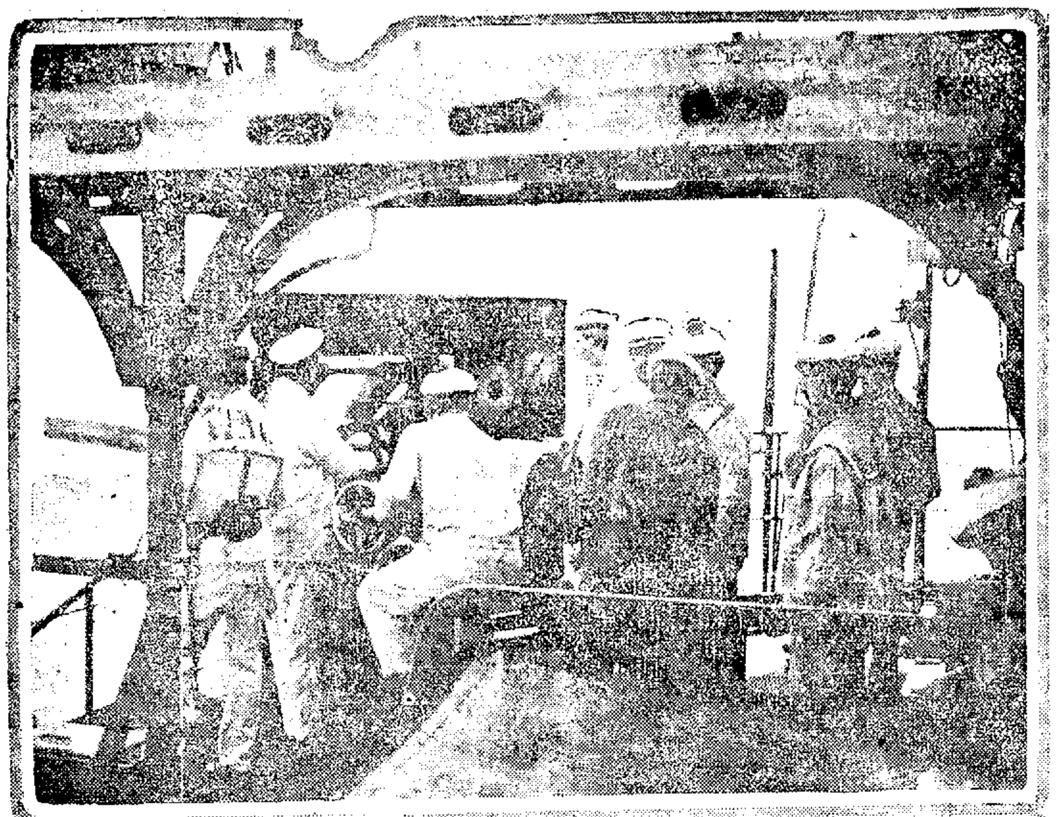
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GREEK SITUATION PUTS PIRAEUS, THE PORT OF ATHENS, IN DANGER



FRENCH GUNS TRAINED ON PIRAEUS, THE PORT OF ATHENS

In allied quarters in Washington it was stated that the new British ministry will attempt the complete reduction of Greece, with recognition of the Venizelos government as the legitimate national authority, and the arrest or deposition of King Constantine.

London dispatches say reports from Athens and Piraeus, the port of Athens, reiterated emphatically and with details that the recent attack on the entente allies in Athens was the result of a deliberately prepared plot by the king and his government.

The allies insist that the Royalists, headed by the king, have adopted a permanently bellicose attitude toward the entente. They say that the mobilization is proceeding rapidly and that every warlike preparation is in progress, encouraged by the Rumanian victories and lavish promises from Germany.

The dispatches add that Greek soldiers occupy all the vantage points near Athens and Piraeus and are digging trenches and mounting guns. The correspondents say Greek activities may endanger the success of the entire allied operations in the Balkans. They urge vigorous allied action. Photograph shows gun on a French battleship trained on Piraeus.

TRIPLE CAESARIAN BIRTH

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Triplets, by a Caesarian operation, were born to Mrs. John Ravella at the Norwood Corner House hospital yesterday. The operation was performed by Dr. Thomas H. O'Toole, assisted by Dr. J. J. Haggerty and Dr. L. F. Johnson, and was highly successful, all 2 children being healthy and the mother resting comfortably last night.

The babies are receiving much attention, as they are the first triplets born at Norwood's community hospital.

SETS FIRE TO CELL IN LEWISTON, ME., JAIL

MAN WHO RAN THROUGH STREETS AFTER DISROBING ON CHURCH STEPS CAUSES SCARE

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 12.—Ernest Gignere, 35, who ran amuck through Lewiston streets Sunday after disrobing on the steps of the Park Street Methodist Episcopal church, yesterday set fire to the padded cell in which he was confined. The blaze caused damage to the city buildings estimated at $5000.

Gignere had repeatedly broken a bolt on the door of the padded cell, and the door finally was nailed. Hearing continued pounding, Officers Gauthier and Libby went to the cell corridor and the prisoner then began throwing glass. Thinking the man had broken the window, Officer Gauthier hastened to the exterior of the building and looking through the window saw Gignere touch a match to the wall of canvas filled with excelsior.

A telephone call brought apparatus from the central fire station, but the flames spread so fast that a box alarm was turned in. Before it was under control the fire worked its way to the second floor, causing considerable damage to the officer of the board of assessors.

Gignere was dragged from the burning cell uninjured and confined with the other prisoners. Where he got the match to start the fire is not known, but the police think it was hidden in the wall by a man previously imprisoned there.

SOUTH LEADS IN COTTON MILL CONSUMPTION

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 12.—Practically the whole of the great American cotton crop will be converted into the finished fabric in American mills 20 years from now if the present annual rate of increase continues, declared Col. Harvie Jordan, president of the Southern Cotton Growers' association, today in an address before the southern commercial congress. If this prediction should be fulfilled, he said, the ultimate annual value of each crop would reach the enormous total of $5,000,000,000.

"The south now occupies the leading position in cotton mill consumption throughout the world," said Col. Jordan. "It consumes annually more lint cotton than all of the textile mills of Great Britain, more than all those of New England and the balance of the United States combined and more than all the combined countries of Europe." A few years ago, he asserted, 75 per cent. of the raw cotton had to be exported while now foreign mills under peace conditions could not expect more than 50 per cent.

Pointing out that it was the country or section which manufactures the raw material into finished fabric that secures the maximum of value from such product, Col. Jordan declared that the present medium yield of the south's cotton crop, sold for its full value for the first time since the Civil war, would bring growers $1,250,000,000. He said present high prices of the staple was due largely to the federal reserve banking system and the cotton futures law.

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Solo, Selected
Mr. Hemenway
Quartet, "Magnolia of Tennessee," Bray
Reading, "Johnnie, His Mother and the Schoolmarm"
Mrs. Hicks
Quartet, "Twilight is Lovelight" Rubenstein
Solo, Selected
Mr. Logan
Quartet, "Just A Wearyin' For You," Bond
Reading, "Home Sweet Home"
Mrs. Hicks
Quartet, "Blue Danube Waltzes" Strauss

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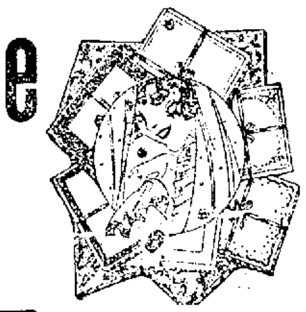
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Women's Boxed Handkerchiefs, all linen, nicely embroidered, 3 in a box for $1.00

Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs, Madeira work 25c

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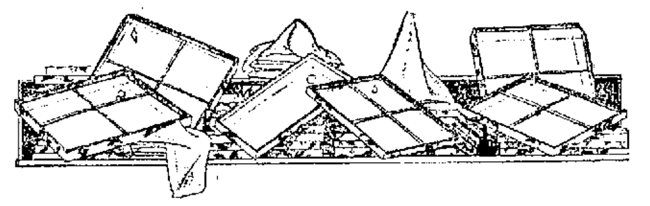
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IN MILADY'S BOUDOIR

HOW TO KEEP YOUNG

Many women grow old in appearance when they feel young and are active and alert in all things. There is no excuse for this condition and, to avoid it, one day each week should be used in part, at least, to taking stock of oneself. A mirror and a tape measure should be a woman's adviser, for they will truly present her true condition. When one finds that one is losing either youth, beauty or symmetry, it is high time to take steps that will restore these valued possessions.

One's mental attitude has much to do with one's appearance, but at the same time, restorative remedies must also be sought, and as different conditions demand different treatment, it would be wise to consult a specialist who is versed in treating your particular shortcoming. Prevention, however, is better than cure.

To be young and beautiful and be the happy possessor of a symmetrical form, one must be healthy. Health demands plenty of sunlight, pure air, proper respiration, a clean body, exercise, restful sleep, good digestion, and the drinking of pure water and taking easily digested food.

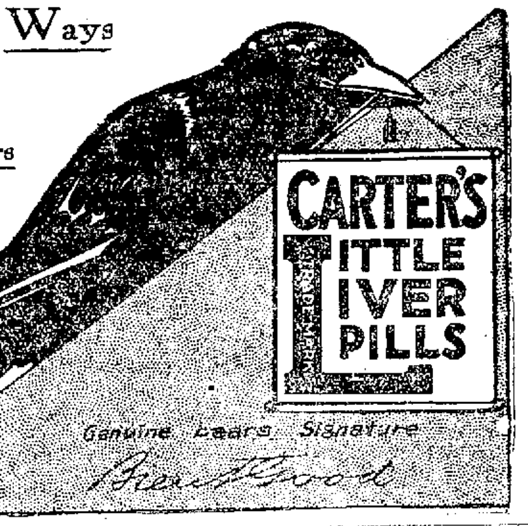
Water must be regarded as a food, for it forms a necessary part of every tissue of our bodies, besides being a chief constituent of the blood. We take into the system large supplies of water in the shape of ordinary articles of food, but even this is not sufficient to meet the requirements of our bodies and to repair the constant waste. A full grown individual loses daily about eighty-four ounces of water, half of this quantity being given off through the skin and lungs.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 12.—Mayor Chapman recommended sinking funds to take care of insurance charges annually, rather than to be allowed to accumulate to $20,000, payable every five years, in his inaugural yesterday. He also recommended that a sinking fund be started to provide funds to redeem the city hall construction bonds as fast as they come due, the first in 1922.

Another suggestion was that the city delegation in the legislature seek an amendment to the Workmen's Compensation act to provide a method of self-insurance by cities who prefer to assume their own risks under the law, rather than avail themselves of insurance in insurance companies.

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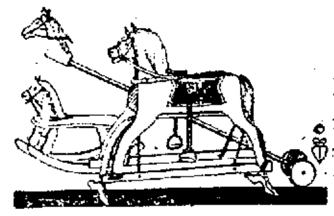
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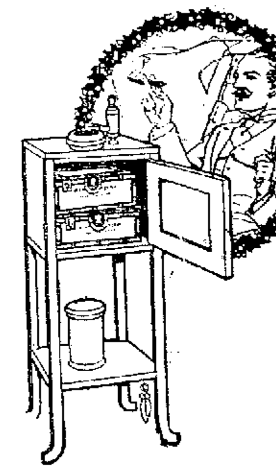
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LIVE BABY TO BE GIVEN AWAY NEW YEAR'S

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—A three-months-old baby, guaranteed to be of good parents and in good health and to be without a physical defect, will be given to suitable foster parents on Jan. 1, on the occasion of the annual ball of the Saugus lodge, K. of P., at the Saugus town hall.

The child is homeless and is now staying at a temporary home provided for it by Carl F. Kock, chairman of the three rank staff of the lodge. Mr. Kock declines to divulge any details regarding the child further than attesting that it is healthful and worthy in every detail calculated from the standards of babyhood.

Six couples have already petitioned that they be the foster parents of the baby. As applications are made to the committee of three in whose hands is the decision of the future foster parents of the child, the personal history of each of the couple is investigated.

The committee says that it will secure for the baby a good home, with a couple that is likely to be as mother and father to the infant. The decision in the matter will be made in time for its announcement at the lodge's annual ball, Jan. 1.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Loyal Integrity lodge, I.O.O.F., M.U., was held last night, Noble Grand Harold Merrill presiding. Five new members were elected and three propositions for membership were received. Officers for the ensuing six months were nominated. Four new members were obligated. The officers for the ceremonies were P.S. Thos. Chadwick; P.G. Frederick Silk, P.G. Thomas M. Smith, and P.G. Arthur De Long. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 26, instead of on Monday, that day being Christmas.

The members of Division 8, A.O.H., met in regular session last night, E. J. Flannery occupying the chair. Considerable routine business was transacted. Sixteen candidates were received and four candidates obligated. John Barrett reported the business transacted at the convention of the Middlesex county of the Catholic Federation of Societies.

The next meeting of the division will be held next Monday evening at 8 o'clock at which time the election of officers will take place.

JUVENILE THIEVES BUSY OPERATING

The provision store conducted by Henry J. Farrell at 162 Market street was entered some time Sunday and, although a quantity of goods was taken, no attempt was made to get into the safe, and it is the opinion of the police that boys were responsible for the break.

Three bricks were removed from a wall in the rear of a storeroom of the place and the cavities were used to reach a transom over a door in the rear of the building. Evidently one of the boys crawled through a transom and opened the door for the others, and they took whatever goods they found easy to carry away.

After committing the break the thieves walked through the door and left it open. This is another of the numerous breaks made in the vicinity of Merrimack, Market and Middle streets recently. Several weeks ago some boys were brought into court charged with breaking and entering and larceny, but it would appear according to this break that the whole of the gang was not captured.

IN BOSTON

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ROCKEFELLER AT SEVENTY-SEVEN STANDS IN WINTRY WIND AT ARCHBOLD FUNERAL



JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER and SON (Latter in insert) at ARCHBOLD FUNERAL

John D. Rockefeller [illegible] ing his seventy-seven years [illegible] full measure of [illegible] of John D. Archbold [illegible] associate in Standard Oil, at the [illegible] New York [illegible] special train to attend the services.

At the committal service that followed at the great arched mausoleum in Sleepy Hollow cemetery he stood with head bared on the granite steps, despite the fact that a cutting winter wind was blowing. He not only astonished all of those who attended the funeral by his vigor and activity, but he displayed what was regarded as remarkable fortitude at the bier of a man of whom he had been unusually fond and who had been his business associate for more than a generation.

In addition to Mr. Rockefeller, the services at the Archbold home were attended by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., William Rockefeller, and other financiers whose names are almost equally well known in Wall street. They listened with close attention while Dr. James R. Day, chancellor of Syracuse university, delivered an earnest eulogy of Mr. Archbold. Chancellor Day had been a lifelong friend of Mr. Archbold, and the latter had donated more than $3,000,000 to Syracuse university and its educational activities. Pictures show John D. Rockefeller shaking hands with F. W. Weller and John D. Rockefeller, Jr., in the insert, as they appeared at the Archbold funeral.



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THREE OF CREW OF BRITISH SHIP KILLED

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Lloyds shipping agency announces that three members of the crew of the British steamer Britannia, a vessel of 1871 tons reported yesterday as believed to have been sunk, were killed and the captain of the steamer made prisoner.

U. S. TO BUILD FIRST NAVY HOSPITAL SHIP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The projected navy hospital ship construction of which has been authorized, will be the first vessel designed and built for this purpose by any nation, according to Surgeon-General Braisted whose annual report was made public today. Every convenience of an up-to-date shore hospital has been provided for and provision will be made to accommodate 500 patients in peace times and 500 in war. She will carry special stabilizers to minimize rolling and pitching, laboratories for surgical and medical work, complete X-ray equipment, and in the holds a full shore going hospital outfit, including ambulances.

"When completed," the report says, "it is believed the ship will represent a model ship of this class for many years to come and her usefulness may well be expected to continue during the lifetime of those who had a hand in her designing."

INQUIRY INTO NEWS PRINT PAPER PRICES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The inquiry into all conditions that affect news print paper prices to be made by the federal trade commission at a public hearing here tomorrow, it was announced today, will go into the reasonableness of contract and current prices, costs and profits of paper manufacturers, gross profits of jobbers, factors affecting the supply and demand and remedies for the situation.

At a previous hearing during the summer paper users declared they would later present evidence to show there had been collusion among news print producers to raise prices.

Manufacturers, jobbers, publishers and others interested will testify tomorrow. Among those expected here are P. T. Dodge, president of the International Paper Co; George Chahoon, jr., a Canadian manufacturer; E. W. Rollins, of the Minnesota & Ontario Powder Co; George H. Mead e. Dayton, O.; J. L. Carey of the International Brotherhood of Paper Makers; George W. Morfide, representing Kansas publishers, David Lansdey, jr., of the Philadelphia Paper Trade association, and Wilson C. Ridgeway of the National Paper Trade association.

TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM

PARIS, Dec. 11.—Albert Claveille, who three weeks ago was appointed director-general of transports and importations, to tackle that of the French transportation problem with energy, is becoming aware that five hundred barges of coal destined for Paris were tied up at Dijon and that twenty or more Seine passenger steamers were idle at the Paris wharves. He took the steamers and set them to work towing the barges.

REDUCTION IN SIZE OF OUR COTTON CROP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Further reduction of the estimated size of this year's cotton crop was recorded today in the department of agriculture's final report putting the production at 11,511,000 commercial 500-pound bales, exclusive of linters.

That is 126,000 bales less than forecast after the first condition report in October.

Indications at the beginning of the growing season were that a crop of approximately 14,266,000 bales would be produced but storms and floods wrought havoc with the growing plants as the season progressed. The acreage planted was the fourth greatest on record.

The average price per pound paid to producers of cotton on Dec. 1 was 19.6c. At that price the season's crop is worth $1,079,531,616 exclusive of the value of linter cotton and seeds.

WILD SELLING MOVEMENTS

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—One of the most wildly selling movements in the history of the cotton market followed the publication of the government crop estimate here today. There had been heavy liquidation before the report was published and when the official figures of the yield were received the market was rating around 18.50 for March, which represented a decline of nearly 432 a bale from the high record established just before Thanksgiving.

It seemed, however, that many traders had remained long of the market in the hope that today's estimate would inspire bulls with renewed confidence and the official indication of 11,511,000 bales was evidently a disappointment from that standpoint. At any rate there was a rush of selling from all directions and prices broke about a cent a pound within five minutes.

Within less than 20 minutes after the report was published March contracts sold at 17.50, or 182 points below the high level of the morning and nearly four cents a pound under the recent high record.

BOSTON YOUNG MAN UNDER ARREST

Maurice Friedman, aged about 20 years and giving his residence as Boston, was arrested this afternoon by Inspector Thomas McCloughry on a warrant charging him with the larceny of $1.50 in money, 50 cents each from three different people.

According to the police Friedman is connected with a so-called suit club. People of this city were asked to contribute 50 cents a week and each week there would be a drawing for a suit of clothes, valued at $25.00. When the required number of people were in the club a drawing would be held and the person who drew number one would receive the first suit of clothes which would cost him but 50 cents. The person who drew number two would get the second suit of clothes which would cost him but $1.00 and so on. The person who drew number 50 would pay 50 cents for 50 weeks or $25, the alleged price of the suit.

According to the police there is something in connection with the transaction which is illegal. Friedman will appear before Judge Enright in police court tomorrow morning.

INAUGURATION OF WILSON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Official announcement was made today of the appointment of Robert N. Harper, a local bank president as chairman of the inaugural committee having charge of the ceremonies March 4 in connection with the reinstallation of President Wilson.

JOHNNY KILBANE SEEMS ANXIOUS TO MEET FREDDIE WELSH



CLEVELAND, Dec. 9.—Although Johnny Kilbane has posted a forfeit of $5,000 to bind a match with Freddie Welsh, the former's demand that the lightweight champion make 133 pounds ringside makes the affair look like an advertising scheme on the part of the featherweight title holder. Kilbane is too well acquainted with ring secrets not to be aware that 133 pounds ringside is an impossible figure for Welsh. Kilbane is only talking for effect as long as he maintains his present stand on the weight question. There would be no merit in letting Welsh if he were compelled to meet himself down to a mere shadow and there is not a chance of him being foolish enough to do it, so that Kilbane may as well get down to business at once or confess that he is not as ambitious as he would have it believed. If Welsh were a heavy hitter the weight might make a great deal of difference, but as matters stand the match is fair enough if made at catch weights. Kilbane is the heavier hitter, is faster and not so very badly handicapped in height and reach. As it would be nothing more than a boxing match speed would count for more than weight, and the heavier Welsh came in the slower he would be. Of course it would be foolish to weaken himself by making weight it would be a great deal easier for Kilbane and the latter might score a knockout in first class. But Welsh is altogether too shrewd to be caught napping at overlooking the conditions of a match. He is not in need of money, and it is not up to him to challenge a man in a class below him. If Kilbane wants the match it is up to him to make concessions, not Welsh, who has little to gain and much to lose. Photo shows Kilbane in fighting pose.

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MUSTEROLE

ANOTHER "DEUTSCHLAND" COMING TO THE U. S.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—A third merchant submarine for the trans-Atlantic service now is under construction in Germany. Advices received here from Berlin say names for the vessel and her sister ship designed to replace the lost Bremen have not yet been selected. It is said the merchant fleet, composed of the two new boats and the Deutschland, will be ready to travel on regular schedule between the United States and Germany late in the spring. In the same sources it is considered improbable that the Deutschland will start on her third voyage to this country until the winter weather on the Atlantic moderates.

Perfection of minor details is all that is lacking for the establishment of a submarine mail service with Germany. The owners of the submersibles have offered to transport first class letter mails and the postoffice department has expressed itself as being ready to make a contract. Agents of the submarine line, however, have made several suggestions regarding the service which as yet have not been adopted. Among other things the agents want to be assured that no explosives can be slipped into the mail packages.

OPPRESSED NATIONALITIES

Many Leaders of Foreign Born Populations in United States Attend Big Meeting

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Many leaders of foreign born populations in the United States attended here today the conference of oppressed or dependent nationalities, called by Miss Jane Addams and other women peace advocates. Representatives of each nationality explained the hopes of their people for independence.

Those represented at today's session were: Serbians, Albanians, Armenians, Syrians, Russian Jews, Letts, Lithuanians, Poles, Ukranians, Slovaks, Bohemians and Finns.

The Rev. Fan S. Noli, of Boston, representing the Pan-Albanian federation, made a plea for the oppressed nations.

The speaker, to give force to his assertion that neither set of the European belligerents will be crushingly defeated, quoted Bismarck as having said in a discussion of the outcome of war between England and Germany: "England is a whale and Germany is a horse. How do you expect a whale to beat a horse? Or how to you expect a horse to beat a whale?"

Speaking in behalf of the Armenians, Miran Sevasly, of the Armenian national defense union of America detailed the sufferings of his people and urged the conference to work to restore to the small nationalities of Europe some of their last heritage. He vigorously assailed the Turks for "butcheries, massacres, deportations and exposing the remnants of the Armenian race to annihilation and extinction."

The speaker said that the best information obtainable made it doubtful whether 750,000 Armenians out of the 2,500,000 existing before the war had survived the persecutions to which they had been subjected.

Mrs. Layyah Barahat of Philadelphia made a plea for the Syrians and described the persecutions to which she said they had been subjected.

JAMES BURNHAM IS ON DANGEROUS LIST

James Burnham of 155 Market st. was taken in the ambulance to St. John's hospital this afternoon suffering from injuries to his chest and ribs sustained in an accident at the Avery Chemical Co. It i understood that the man was lifting machinery and it dropped on his chest. It is feared that a lung is punctured and several ribs fractured. His named was placed on the dangerous list.

2473 FALL VICTIMS OF OWN COUNTRYMEN

BERLIN, Dec. 11, by wireless to Sayville.—Of the native civilian population in the French and Belgium districts occupied by the Germans, ten men, 12 women and seven children were killed in the month of November by artillery fire or bombs dropped by aeroplanes of the entente allies, according to the Overseas News agency. In the same month forty men and 32 children were wounded. Thus the number of victims of their own countrymen the news agency says, has been increased to 2473 since September.

YALE GRADUATES

Trend of Last 12 Years Has Been to the Industrial and Commercial Pursuits

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 11.—The trend among Yale graduates of the last 12 years has been more to the industrial and commercial pursuits, that is manufacturing, finance, mercantile, business and engineering, than to the professions, including law, the ministry, education and medicine, according to figures given in the directory of living graduates of the university just issued.

In 1904 the number of men in the professions is given as 6587 and in 1916 as 5751, a gain of 21 per cent. In 1904 the number engaged in industrial and commercial pursuits is given as 4705 and in 1916 as 8168, a gain of 59 per cent.

In the professions the increase in 12 years is a minimum of 15 per cent in the ministry and a maximum in law of 30 per cent. In the industrials the minimum is 50 per cent in mercantile business and the maximum 165 per cent in engineering.

INCREASE FOR 200

WINSTED, Conn., Dec. 11. The New Hartford Knitting Co. today announced a 10 per cent increase in wages to its 200 employes, effective January 1. The high cost of living is given as the reason for the increase.

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SECOND WEEK OF TRIAL OF ALLEGED PLOTTERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—Letters and original copies of telegrams alleged to have been written by some of the defendants in the case of Franz Bopp, German consul general here, and six others charged with having violated the neutrality of the United States by conspiring to destroy commerce and munitions of the entente allies, were ready to be presented by the government today at the opening of the second week of the trial.

Federal prosecutors said they hoped by the admission of the communications to prove that orders for the destruction of bridges and tunnels in Canada and the explosion of a dynamite barge in Seattle harbor last year came direct from German consular officials here.

Louis Smith, a defendant in the case, who is said to have revealed details of the conspiracy to government agents, and C. C. Crowley, a detective, are the two men the government alleges attempted to carry out the conspiracy of hampering traffic in munitions consigned to the entente allies. Smith has since become the government's chief witness. When the government placed him on the stand last Thursday the defence protested that Smith was a felon, convicted by court martial of offences committed in the army and that he served a term in Leavenworth prison. The admissibility of Smith's testimony is to be decided today by Judge Hunt. In the meantime papers restoring Smith to citizenship have been forwarded from Washington. The restoration papers, it was said, will in effect operate as a presidential pardon and qualify Smith as a witness.

BOY MURDERER MUST DIE

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 11.—Gov. Whitman declined today to interfere with the execution of the death sentence imposed on Stanley J. Millstein, an 18-year-old boy of Utica, convicted of the murder of Policeman John F. Creek at Utica, last February. Millstein shot Creed when the officer arrested him for burglary. He made his escaped and joined the United States army, but was apprehended later. He is under sentence to die the week of Dec. 18.

WAR CUTS SPINACH CROPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—War has reduced the spinach crop. Reports to the department of agriculture from the Norfolk district of Virginia say that Holland's embargo forbidding exports of spinach seed has caused a decrease in acreage this year. It is estimated the crop will amount to 550,000 or 600,000 barrels compared with 786,826 last year.

40 BRITISH MUNITIONS EXPERTS REACH N. Y.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Forty young men selected by the British government as munitions experts, arrived here today, on the steamship Orduna from Liverpool. They will be assigned to the various factories in the United States and Canada, where munitions for the entente governments are being manufactured under contract, and will pass on the output before it is delivered for shipment.

GERMAN REPLY TO SWISS NOTE ON DEPORTATIONS

PARIS, Dec. 11.—Germany's reply to the Swiss note regarding the deportations in Belgium has been received, according to information from Berne. It is most politely worded, the despatches say, but nevertheless, makes it clearly understood that Switzerland has no ground for interfering with events in Belgium unless her own interests are affected.

RADICAL SOLUTION OF GREEK PROBLEM

LONDON, Dec. 11, 6.22 p. m.—The foreign office today stated that the British government was consulting with Great Britain's allies in an effort to reach a very radical solution of the Greek problem.

FRANCIS JACKSON GARRISON DEAD

NEWTON, Dec. 11.—Francis Jackson Garrison, son of the late abolitionist, William Lloyd Garrison, and himself prominently identified in efforts to advance the welfare of the negro race, died at his home here today. He was 68 years old and the author of several books, including a biography of his father.

SALARY FOR EVANGELISTS

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 11.—A salary basis for evangelists instead of the present system of "part salary, part subscription systematically solicited, and part free will offering" is urged by the commission on evangelism of the federal council of churches submitted to the quadrennial convention of the council at its final session here today.

FIRE FOLLOWS EXPLOSION IN QUAKER OATS PLANT EIGHT LIVES LOST

PETERBORO, Ont., Dec. 11—An explosion and fire today destroyed the Quaker Oats buildings here with an estimated loss of eight lives and injuries to ten other persons, all employes, and with property damage to about $1,000,000.

A dozen or more other employes are in hospitals suffering with burns and injuries. It is supposed that the explosion occurred in the dry room and that it was caused by spontaneous combustion.

A strong wind fanned the flames and within 20 minutes every wall had tumbled in ruins and a number of grain elevators were wrecked. Eighteen of the elevators were saved.

Houses in the vicinity of the plant caught fire and the city's court house, where the flames are still burning apparently beyond control, already has been badly damaged and seems doomed. The persons injured include part of the 200 girls and women who were employed in the packing department. Some of them fainted and their clothing caught fire before they were rescued.

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Hand Bags	$1.00 to $10.00	Mirrors	50c up
Collar Bags	50c to $5.00	Watch Bracelets	50c up
Pocketbooks	25c to $5.00	Music Rolls	50c to $5.00
Fitted Toilet Cases,	$1.00 to $20.00	Music Satchels	$2.00 to $5.00
Manicure Sets	$1.00 to $15.00	Jewel Boxes	$1.00 to $8.00
Medicine Sets	50c to $3.00	Brief Cases	$2.50 to $10.00
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DUTCH APPEAL TO SAVE BELGIANS

Only Americans Can Stop Ghastly Suffering on Deportation

Holland Section of League of Neutral States Sends Appeal

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Associated Press has received from Amsterdam an "appeal to the American people" by the Holland section of the League of Neutral States. The appeal is signed by Pres. Niemeyer and Secs. Delafaille and Walch. It follows:

"Your president has said that sooner or later a moment would come when the war would make the position of neutral nations unbearable. For us Hollanders that moment has arrived: not through our own sufferings, but because we cannot longer passively contemplate the ghastly suffering inflicted by Germany upon Belgium, our neighbor.

"Indeed, one must turn to the history of the early ages of long past centuries before international treaties existed to find a parallel to the enslaving of the Belgians. The Hague regulations stipulate that 'the honor and rights of the family must be respected,' but the German government deliberately drags the Belgian families apart.

"To us this cruelty is more vivid every day. Every day numbers of fugitives, in spite of the deadly electric wire which the Germans have erected along the frontier, succeed in escaping to The Netherlands. From them we learn the painful details of the unutterable despair of the women and children who are left behind, and of the agonizing scenes which take place when husbands, brothers and sons, dragged from their homes and womenfolk, are 'packed' into cattle and freight cars and thus transported, slaves, to an unknown destination and to an unknown fate.

"To put an end to this—to arrest this hellish scourge, which at this moment lacerates the whole of northern France and western Russia—there is but one way open, and that is collective action on the part of the neutral nations.

"And for you, citizens of the mightiest of the neutral states, it is, in our opinion, the right and duty to take the leadership upon you. Only if you place yourselves at our head can any success crown our efforts.

"This tyranny is not to be borne in patience, and the neutral nations can no longer stand idly by while in western Europe the most primitive laws of humanity, observed even by uncivilized races are trampled under foot.

"We appeal to you to urge your government to energetic and decisive action and to call upon the other neutral nations to rally around you. That they will find faith and strength in your leadership is evidenced by the stream of messages expressive of sympathy and a desire to co-operate which have reached us from the moment we published our intention to make this appeal to the American people.

"We do not hesitate to take it upon ourselves to speak with firm conviction in the name of humanity, and our hope is firmly fixed on that sense of justice which has always formed one of the most cherished traditions of citizens of the United States.

"Americans, we are convinced that you will not disappoint our expectations."

CITIES VOTING NO-LICENSE

No Delivery of Liquor In Dry Territory Under New Law

License Vote for 1915 of Cities Holding Elections Today

In cities voting no-license, to take effect May 1, of next year, the new law approved by Gov. McCall, May 2, this year, regulating the transportation and delivery of intoxicating liquors will become operative. The law is as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. No person, firm or corporation holding a license of any of the first five classes for the sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors shall transport such liquors into, for delivery in, or deliver such liquors in, a city or town in which licenses of the five classes for the sale of intoxicating liquors are not granted.

Section 2. Whoever violates the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than two hundred dollars for each offence, and upon conviction his license shall become null and void.

This is the only law there is on the subject although dealers and lawyers say that there is some doubt as to just what it means.

There was a similar law passed by the legislature a year ago, but doubt existed as to whether or not the railroads and express companies, under the phraseology of the act would not be liable if they transported liquor "through" dry territory, although the seller and the consignee might both do business in wet territory.

Attorney General Attwill, at that time, was asked to rule on the matter, but he rendered an opinion that the act would not prohibit such shipments, "but that the courts might rule differently." In the circumstances Governor Walsh vetoed the bill and the legislature sustained his vote.

That was the end of the matter until it was presented to the legislature last winter, when it was enacted and is now the law of the state.

License Vote for 1915

The following is the license vote in 1915 in the Massachusetts cities which hold elections today:

	Yes	No
Attleboro, N	601	1276
Beverly, N	884	1865
Chelsea, L	3035	2098
Chicopee, L	1730	1279
Everett, N	1154	3246
Lawrence, L	6085	4844
Lowell, L	7603	6031
Lynn, N	7226	8281
Malden, N	1812	4280
Medford, N	969	2697
Melrose, N	369	1639
Newburyport, N	1336	1503
Newton, N	1399	2760
Revere, N	1102	1446
Somerville, N	1970	5010
Woburn, N	1246	1760
Worcester, L	12,143	9494

DIVIDEND OF 100 PER CENT

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—An extra dividend of 100 per cent on the common stock was declared today by the E. W. Bliss Co., together with the usual quarterly disbursements on the common and preferred stock. The company is extensively engaged in the manufacture of war munitions.

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IRON POST INTERFERED WITH JOY RIDE

A Buick roadster, the property of Charles S. Proctor of 189 Hovey street, was stolen from in front of the house of Larkin Trull in Fairmount street last night. It is said that three young men entered the machine and one operated it through Fairmount street and upon turning from Wyman into Nesmith street the car was going at such a speed that the driver lost control and the automobile crashed into an iron post. The spokes of one of the wheels were knocked out and a mudguard and spring broken.

The matter was reported to the police and Sergt. David Petrie was assigned to investigate the case. He managed to secure a good description of the trio and it is felt that they will soon be brought before the police and asked to give some reason for their little joy ride.

ELECT OFFICERS

Th regular meeting of the General Adelbert Ames camp 19, U.S.W.V., was held in the aldermanic chamber at city hall last evening. There was a large attendance and Commander Mitchell presided. The camp voted that a letter of appreciation be sent to Sergt. Thomas Camp of Haverhill, thanking them for the hospitality shown Lowell men in Haverhill last Friday. The following officers for the year were elected: Commander, Bert W. Chandler; senior vice commander, Judson A. Phillips; junior vice commander, James F. Crowley; officer of the day, James Clancy; officer of the guard, Frederick A. Cheney; trustee for three years, Alex D. Mitchell; delegates to department convention, William A. Prescott, Colby T. Kittredge and Thos. W. F. Babley; alternates, Carl H. Lambert, P. Henry Driscoll, Thomas F. Conniff. It was voted to hold the next regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 26, on account of Monday, the 25th, being Christmas day.

A large delegation from Gen. Adelbert Ames camp will attend the department banquet to be held in Boston on Feb. 22, 1917, also the governor's reception in the Hall of Flags at the state house on the same day.

A good sized delegation of members of the camp and also from Edith Prescott Wolcott auxiliary went to Haverhill last Friday evening to attend the fair and dance conducted by Sergt. Fred Thomas camp of that city. A special car took the party from this city at 6.10 p. m. and returned at 11.45 o'clock. The evening was much enjoyed by the Lowell delegation.

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AMUSEMENT NOTES

KEITH'S THEATRE

"The best show ever" was the consensus of opinion of those who attended the performance at the B. F. Keith theatre yesterday afternoon and evening. The diversity of acts is something out of the ordinary and the selection this week is one of rare excellence.

The headline act is Beatrice Morelle's grand opera sextet in "A Study of Royal Blue." There are six beautifully costumed women in the act, the stage settings beggar description and the singing and instrumental music are entrancing as well as entertaining. Miss Morelle is a contralto, whose sweet voice both in solo and quartet singing is par excellence. Madame Louise Arnolda is gifted with a soprano voice which is second to none heard in this city for years. Miss Genevieve Joy also a soprano keeps the audience spellbound while singing. Miss Annette Ford as first also sings songs that appeal to the audience. The other members of the sextet are Miss Grace Livingston, violinist and Miss Alice Ess, harpist. Both these young women are very clever and give several numbers on their instruments in solo and also accompany the singers.

While the singing and music is excellent the costumes worn by the members of the company are of royal blue and during the course of the act the outer garments are removed and the women appear in evening dress which are of a rare quality.

If a good hearty laugh will affect you it would be better to leave the theatre before Thomas Dugan and Babette Raymond appear on the stage for from the time the former makes his appearance in a —— car, it is a case of laugh until the drop goes down on their act. We have seen many automobile skits and have heard the same old jokes over and over again but when it comes to originality give Dugan and Miss Raymond the "o o" and die laughing.

The automobile used is of the vest pocket size but large enough to hold a loving-pair. Although Tom is supposed to understand the mechanism of the machine he admits that it was wished upon him and he is not to blame for what it does. In fact at times it becomes very animated and almost human. Naturally you think it is one of the popular makes of cars which everyone on the stage talks about. Well to tell the truth if you look at its head, it does remind you of the automobile you are thinking of, but that peculiar hood is divided that in fact the machine itself can be taken apart in a very short time.

The "plot" of the piece is an anxious lover and a beautiful maiden. They decide to elope. He arrives in his "one-man-power" machine and after "whistling" and failing to arouse the happiness of his life, he throws a pebble through a window, then gets a ladder and after she is assured that everything is all right below she descends the ladder and they start off in the machine. That is they "climb" into the auto, but while it "auto go" there is something wrong with the mechanism and while trying to locate the trouble the pair rattle off a bunch of talk which is highly entertaining. It is all new stuff and scattered in such a manner as to result in repeated curtain calls.

Nate Coe, Emily Russell and Frank Davis appear in a comedy skit entitled "Waiters Wanted." Don't men it in public, but Nate and Frank served many years in jail and while they are not proud of it, they are rather sensitive. They have the lockstep down pretty fine and they are familiar with the stripes, but say, when it comes to stripes, just give a glance at Emily's black and white skirt. When she is standing still from her waist line to midway between the ankles and knees there is a black cloud, but when she is in action the blending of the black and white make a person wonder whether or not she is doing to transformation act. The trio have an original line of talk and they can sing also.

Wilfred Berrick and Lily Dean Hart appear in an original reel-astic comedy movie skit. They have appeared here before, but they are always welcome visitors for they are entertainers in every sense of the word. Despite the fact that it is not their first appearance on the local boards there is one thing that can be said they never produce the same sketch twice in one city. Their act is a clever one, Mr. Berrick being a good singer, while Miss Hart is a graceful dancer.

Stuart Darrow is with us again. He does a finger, shadow and sand act, which is novel and highly entertaining. The Xylo maids in a xylophonistic diversity are excellent entertainers. They are attired in musical costumes and rattle the xylophones until a person would think their arms would drop off. They change from the popular songs to grand opera and vice versa with apparent ease.

Last but no means least is the act of the Helen Leach Wallen trio, the original iron jaw wire sensational artists. Two of the women in the act hold the wires used with their teeth while the third woman performs all kinds of slack wire stunts and winds up with a whirling performance, the like of which has never been seen in this city before.

If you want to see one good show don't miss the performance at Keith's. Performances will be held every afternoon and evening during the remainder of the week.

ROYAL THEATRE

Pearl is coming! Maybe some of you know already who and what she will appear in, but for a little time we will not just yet disclose all about it and until next Friday. So watch the dailies until then, we promise something good. Today's show at this theatre offers some great pictures, among them Viola Dana in the great Metro success, "The [illegible] of Helen," a novel play dealing with the beliefs of a young girl in a religious sect, and the difficulties with which she was beset. The play was written by a clergyman, and the supporting cast connected with Miss Dana is one of the most noted ever put together. "Dante's Inferno," a two reel version of the old classic and a Kalem railroad two reel drama and others [illegible] a three-hour show of unusual excellence.

JEWEL THEATRE

Sam Cohen and his amateurs will make their weekly turn tonight at the Jewel theatre. He has gathered a feast for the fun-loving crowd that will fill the house to capacity. Robert B. Mantell and Genevieve Hamper will also be seen in "The Spider and the Fly," a great drama of Parisian underworld, staged and produced with wonderful dramatic power. Other pictures shown.

OWL THEATRE

A delightful story of a little girl of the tenements who brings sunshine into the life of all with whom she comes in contact, is the theme of the new Metro release, "The Sunbeam," starring Mabel Taliaferro, which will again head the big double bill at the Owl theatre this afternoon and evening.

Winifred Greenwood and Franklin Ritchie will also be seen at the Owl today in the new Mutual masterpiece, "The Reclamation," a photoplay which tells a stirring story of the great fight which is being waged in the west between the small ranchers and the powers which control the water irrigation.

Other excellent attractions will also be presented at the Owl today.



TODAY **OWL** THEATRE

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In "THE SUNBEAM"

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Winnifred Greenwood

In "The Reclamation"

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LOWELL ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY

Anybody who likes good music should not let the opportunity of joining their Honorary Memberships pass. The members are reporting good results obtained so far. Inasmuch as their annual concert comes in January, it would be wise to secure one of the above tickets.

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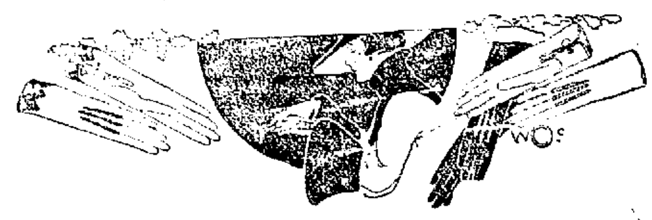
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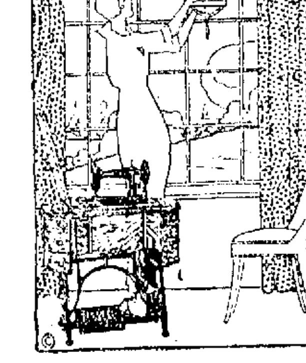
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It is safe to say that never before in the history of this city have so many new buildings been under way at this season. So great had the demand for tenement and business buildings become, that many enterprising men have undertaken to provide what our city most needs. The new structures so far as tenement property is concerned are all up to date and many of them show the very latest combination of wood and cement construction. The business blocks, the theatres and factories under construction will add much to the value of our real estate as well as to the architectural beauty of our city.

The proprietors who are erecting these structures in the face of the present high cost of building material, show praiseworthy enterprise which will doubtless bring its reward. They show that they are not pessimists. They believe that our prosperity is here to stay and they are willing to take whatever risk of dull business the future may bring.

The real estate market which had been very dull during the past few years shows much activity and the improvement is felt at all points. Lowell is being prepared for a long period of steady prosperity despite the pessimistic views of men who think that the end of the war will see the end of good times. There is no justification for the calamity howl in the present situation. Whether Lowell maintains her prosperity or funks and goes backward depends entirely upon the spirit of enterprise, the tact and courage of her citizens. The watchword should be onward.

COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE

In his annual report Major General Scott, chief of staff of the U. S. army, declares that the volunteer military system has been demonstrated an utter failure. This statement is based upon the experience on the Mexican border. He states that the training period of 75 days in three years provided by the new national defense act is wholly inadequate. Soldiers so trained, he claims, would be unfit until they had at least six months' experience in actual war. He insists that it takes a year's training at least to make a soldier, although any time spent in excess of that period might also be used to advantage.

But it is principally to the difficulty of getting recruits that General Scott directs the force of his appeal. He shows that in eleven states with 16,000 enrolled men at the time of the recent mobilization, 10 per cent failed to respond and 29 per cent of the remainder could not pass the physical examination. As a result the men who went to the border were 43 per cent raw recruits, and brought up to war strength, the force would have been 75 per cent green men useless for war for many months.

While 151,096 officers and men were mustered into the federal service under the recent call to the border and 110,957 actually were on the border, yet this force was 97,000 below war strength and over 4,000 below authorized minimum peace strength. This is certainly a rather discouraging showing and one that calls for serious consideration by the government as well as by the critics who feel that this country should plunge into war with Mexico on one side and at the same time take the risks of complications with European powers on the other.

War as waged today is a different proposition from what it was ten, twenty or fifty years ago. The engines of destruction are far more powerful and the death rate in battle probably ten times as great as ever before. To put this nation on a war basis, as that is understood in Europe, will certainly require compulsory military service. Whether we have reached the point at which that would be necessary, will remain an open question until the end of the war. If that struggle closes without a crushing defeat to Germany so that the national rivalries would still endure, then instead of universal peace, will follow only the prospect of future wars fully as terrible as the present. With such an outlook ahead the United States in order to defend itself against foreign aggression would be obliged to adopt military compulsion and train every young man to be a soldier.

It is to be hoped that such a military necessity will never come but if it does we have only to meet it as the call of patriotism in defense of our liberties.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

While the country has issued the call for preparedness, while the government is building a big navy, preparing to equip a merchant marine and looking to expansion in every direction, there are still pessimistic notes heard at different points by people who in the midst of sunshine turn to look for ominous clouds on the horizon.

They cannot conceive the possibility that prosperity is here to stay, yet if the government policies of the present administration be carried out, there can be little doubt on that point.

Hon. George W. Perkins is going through the country as a prophet of evils to come and his chief panacea is an amendment of the Sherman law. That law may be amended, but not quite to the point to which he would have it changed. In the opinion of Mr. Perkins the tariff must also be boosted in order to allow the co-operative units, as he terms them, to be established as they existed some years ago. This would mean a restoration of the republican regime. He will have to wait at least four years for that.

But the south is booming as never before on account of the high price of cotton. The factories there are taking full advantage of the situation and will soon offer more formidable competition to the New England mills. Here is where the test of our textile supremacy will come. Will the mills of Lowell and other New England cities be able to set at defiance this step forward by the southern factories? The latter have not reached the point at which they can compete on the finer fabrics but on the coarse they will show up stronger than ever. Our mills have to prepare for this possibility in addition to meeting such foreign competition as may come after the war.

There is altogether too much alarm over what will happen to us after the war. The thing that will be felt most of all will be the falling off in foreign orders in our textile, shoe and other factories. The munition factories have helped Lowell a great deal and henceforward they will have to slacken their pace, as England is now making practically all her own munitions. The chief orders now remaining are from Russia. But should these factories reduce their help to normal, the other factories will be able to accommodate most of the hands thus left idle. There is no justification for pessimism as to the future, either locally or otherwise. Business in the nation will continue to boom and while it does, Lowell need not worry, although it is wise always to prepare for any future emergency.

GEN. JOFFRE DISPLACED

France is also to have a small war council in line with that of England and General Joffre is to be succeeded in general command by General Petain, the defender of Verdun. Joffre may be retired but France can never show him too much honor for what he did to stay the advance of Germany and conserve the forces of the republic. No general was ever more careful of his men or more opposed to exposing them to frontal attacks where the chances of victory did not warrant such a step. But when attacked General Joffre was the most stubborn fighter, a fact demonstrated in many a hard fought battle. Much of the glory that has come to the French arms came as a result of the skill and strategy of General Joffre.

ENGLAND'S NEW CABINET

England starts on a new chapter of the war under entirely new management. There is room for improvement as showing more effective work in every department. Lloyd George has undertaken the Herculean task and will have the support of the nation. His cabinet has many men whose names are not very familiar in this country yet the general impression is, that he has gathered together a body of men who are qualified for their respective positions and may do good work once they get acquainted with the ropes.

Lloyd George himself has been reported ill. Should he collapse under the strain, England would be left in a very bad predicament.

DEPORTING THE BELGIANS

Germany explains the deportation of the Belgians as an act of benevolence for which they should be thankful. To furnish employment is the cause assigned. That benevolence is something the Belgians do not want. They have been robbed of their property and their industries have been closed. No wonder they are idle with their factories leveled and all their resources exhausted in meeting outrageous war imposts. Germany's policy, however disguised, is one of the most tyrannical enslavements.

THE MERRIMACK RIVER

The matter of making the Merrimack river navigable is not yet settled. The army engineers are still considering it. They should decide at once in favor of the proposition and let the work be started as soon as possible. There is no other river in the world that turns so many spindles. Why haggle so much over a job that has very much more merit than many of the river jobs that have been favorably acted upon?

President Wilson, it is said, will go west to see his friends next spring, that is if matters are not then so pressing as to hold him in Washington.

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She Was Determined to Know

One of our lady subscribers (the Nantucket Inquirer and Mirror man is telling this) who says she "reads every word" in the paper each week on Friday evening last became mystified over the line "Changed 'em yet?" and when her curiosity could no longer be checked she rang up on the 'phone.

"I can't understand what that means," said she. "I've looked at all my calendar pads and they are all right; I've changed my desk pad; I've had my window screens taken off and my storm windows put on; I've thought and thought, but I can't understand what you mean."

Fortunately, the telephone could hide our blushes so, after screwing up sufficient courage, we queried in a subdued voice: "Well, have you put on your winter flannels yet?"

Something evidently broke loose on the other end of the line. "None of your business!" snapped through the 'phone and we could hear the lady's receiver go up with a bang.

She brought it on herself, anyway.

He Ought to Get an Auto

The young man who has a car at his disposal surely has a winning way with the modern maid. Listen to this tale of woe as related by the Chatterer of the Rockland Independent:

John was keeping company with a young lady in a nearby town. He called regularly every Sunday evening. On one of those big nights he was as usual making good with his inimitable line of humor when the front door bell rang. The young lady ran to answer it. Then John read the paper, inspected the family album, and studied the wall paper designs, but the girl did not return. Two hours later John concluded that it was time to make an investigation. In the hallway he reached for his overcoat but it was missing. The thermometer hovered around the zero mark but he was too hot to notice this. Sticking his hat over one ear he started for home. In the street a big auto pulled up and out jumped the girl. Over her shoulders was John's coat. Ed had knocked at the door, invited her for an auto ride and she had grabbed John's coat and accepted. "Can you beat that for nerve?" says John.

The Deer They Didn't Eat

One young married woman out north, who has a large circle of friends and a brother-in-law who went after deer during the week when the law was off, is slowly recovering from an attack of near heart failure, according to the Plymouth Town Crier. She returned from a trip to town the other day, and found a big bundle of deer meat which had been left at her house, and remembering that the brother-in-law had promised her some if he got any, assumed that he had struck luck and made good on the promise. There was all she could lug into the pantry, and she immediately began, woman-like, to plan who she would share it with. The neighbors were all told that they were in on the division of the spoils and her "hubby" was called on the 'phone and told to get his facial hatch ready to hoist in cargo. "We've got an awful lot of deer meat." "You bet I will," answered her worser half, "and I'm some stevedore." Then the 'phone rang. Another voice said: "Say, T., did yer git that hunk er deer Henry sent down fer the house? Well, it's his and he wants yer ter keep it fer him. S'long." Hubby ate corned beef and the neighbors are still waiting and the young woman is slowly regaining consciousness.

Shoes Winner Over Hat

Have you noticed Postmaster Creedon's new hat? inquires the Middleboro Gazette. It is very becoming and it comes as a result of his faith that President Wilson would be re-elected. Not that he would bet, but merely an agreement that he would make another a present if Hughes were elected. These are the facts: A friend from Danbury, Conn., was here shortly before election and he and our postmaster were talking over the political situation. The visitor was a strong Hughes supporter and after some conversation made the following proposition: That if Wilson were elected he would send Mr. Creedon one of Danbury's product, a hat, while as Middleboro was a shoemaking community a pair of shoes made here would be sent him if he were on the right side. The day after election Mr. Creedon received a postcard, giving the dimensions of the shoes needed. But the following day came another, stating that there was no need of ordering the footwear, and that the bet would be forwarded in a few days. It arrived the past week, a handsome brown one, custom made, and now adorns the noble brow of the federal official.

How Like the Trees

I walked through the paths that led by
ancient trees;
Some stood in groups and rities in a
row;
Their bright green leaves were dancing
in the breeze,
And o'er their limbs the sunshine
poured its glow.

The happy birds were singing everywhere,
And building nests with all a mother's skill;
As bursting flowers sent forth upon the air
Their perfumed breath with whispers of good-will.

Later among the same tall trees I strolled,
And lo! the leaves, so beautifully green,
Were turned to red, or yellowed o'er with gold,
Which gave a matchless splendor to the scene.

Later once more I walked the trees among,
Chill rains and frosts before me had been there;
And where the leaves had played, and birds had sung,
Their crooked limbs shone lonely, brown and bare.

And then I mused. How like to trees are we
On life's down-hill, outward attractions flown;
To know as once we were is all can be,
And we are left unvisited alone.

Thomas F. Porter.

Says Health Was All Broken Down

Well Known Lowell Citizen Relates How His Health Was Restored By Plant Juice.

Just because you are not incapacitated from your business or pleasure, the warnings of stomach trouble should not go unheeded, or serious results are bound to follow. These warnings take the form of dyspepsia, indigestion, dizziness, nervousness, constipation, headache, backache, pains in the back or side, that tired, run down feeling, and various other symptoms indicating a deranged stomach which can be restored to its normal condition by Plant Juice, the new herbal preparation. Under the influence of its general restorative effect, these disease symptoms rapidly subside; it clears up the liver, kidneys and bladder, and enables these organs to perform their proper functions, eliminates uric acid from the blood, which causes rheumatism, and brings back the flush of health to pale cheeks by enriching and purifying the blood.

Daily signed statements are received from well known local people testifying how they have been restored to health by Plant Juice. The following statement from Mr. Joseph Tarette, who lives at No. 196 Lakeview Avenue, and is employed at the Lowell Bleachery, is especially convincing. He said:

"I have been troubled with severe pains in my stomach for the past eight years and could not digest my food; it fermented in my stomach and gas formed, and I had a burning and bloated feeling in the pit of my stomach, which gave me great pain every time I ate any food. I got so I dreaded to eat; I could not sleep at night and had a bad taste in my mouth in the morning and always felt tired on getting up and had no ambition or energy, in fact was entirely run down. I had tried many medicines but none of them seemed to help me, and when I read about Plant Juice in our home papers, I decided to try it. I can now honestly say that my stomach is greatly relieved, and I do not have that burning sensation any more. I sleep well and have no pains from gas. I feel better in the mornings than I did, and am more than satisfied with Plant Juice."

The Plant Juice Man is at Dows, The Druggist's, in Merrimack Square, where he is daily meeting the local public, and introducing and explaining the merits of this remedy.

HIS HEART BADLY AFFECTED

"Fruit-a-tives" Soon Relieved This Dangerous Condition

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FRED J. CAVEEN.

50c. a box, 6 for $2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ogdensburg, N.Y.

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IS ON SALE

AT THE

NORTH STATION

BOSTON

TRYING TO FIND OUT WHY FOOD IS DEAR

Department of justice officials announced that chief activity in the government's nation wide investigation into the middle west, especial attention being paid to the activities of coal dealers in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Toledo and other cities.

George W. Anderson, United States district attorney for the Boston district, directs the inquiry. He will go



GEORGE W. ANDERSON

over information outlined for presentation to the federal grand jury in Chicago and probably will visit also Detroit, where another grand jury inquiry will be begun. Later he may go to St. Louis, Kansas City and Minneapolis.

After analyzing figures obtained from the department of agriculture officials conducting the inquiry say that one of the chief needs of the country is a better method of distribution of foodstuffs. The method followed at present, it is said, would fail in time of emergency. Indications are that this phase of the subject will be placed before the president.

They Do Say

That tonight's the night.

That there are some people no revival spasm can reach.

That the safest thing in the world is to keep away from a liar.

That when a man thinks he's funny some his barber generally knows it.

That human nature and women are profound studies.

That a brutal police man is a thing in uniform.

That when you're in love it no matter how plain the girl may be.

That there's a lot of things we'd have to do that somehow never come our way.

That a lot of wrinkles are due to the fact that we have not yet learned to forget.

That the poor we have always with us, especially poor excuses.

That only the survivors really believe in the survival of the fittest.

That the ambitious office boy doesn't think much of the clerk who locks up his or her typewriter.

That the jitney business is great in Lowell.

That many Lowell people visit the state ash hatchery in Nashua, N. H.

That the executive committee is failing unto itself some power.

That 12 pounds of apples constitute one peck, while it takes 15 pounds of potatoes for the same measure.

That the Lowell women are invited to attend the convention of the Sealers of weights and measures for their own benefit. The affair will be held in Boston.

That the extra penny on the Pelham fare is causing the conductors a lot of trouble.

That the price of turkey will drop for Christmas.

That the Greeks are beginning to widen the Dardanelles.

That even the price of a cup has advanced.

That Marty will make a good basketball team manager.

That Saturday was the only gloomy football day of the year in Haverhill.

That it is all over but the cheering.

That out-of-town roller skaters who have aspirations of becoming champions had better keep away from Lowell.

That some of the boys are looking for those cigarets. Where are they, Bob?

That the funeral of the late Charles H. Molloy was one of the largest ever held in this city.

That the voters and especially the candidates for office are on the anxious seat at this time.

That there is one type of feline who has been so busy collecting the records of men who have made money that he has had no time to make sense for himself.

That there will be an ambitious class of local writers at high school tomorrow evening.

That no one is to be envied for having a heavy mail for most of the month.

That Charley Molloy will be remembered for many a good charity that only the beneficiaries know.

That a man is apt to describe his own faults in talking about his neighbor's.

That whether it's license or no-license, the laws ought to be enforced.

That the Russian army keeps both

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Much the largest and richest collection we have ever shown—unique designs that are exclusively our own ..... $1.00 to $3.00

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Heavy all wool robes for the automobile, attractive patterns $6.75

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Black or tan kid ..... $1.50 to $2.00

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Indian tanned leather ..... $2.25 and $2.50

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166 CENTRAL STREET.

WALSH SAYS INTERESTS CONTROL LEGISLATURE

FORMER GOVERNOR URGES ADOPTION OF INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM AS REMEDY

ATTLEBORO, Dec. 12. Former Governor Walsh in an address delivered here last night criticised the state legislature which, he said, was dominated and controlled by outside financial interests. He advocated the adoption of initiative and referendum, and declared that the form of the ballot by which the state voted last month to return to party enrollment, was calculated and intended to deceive the voters.

"The bitterest experience as governor was to see the extent to which men in the legislature are dominated and controlled by men outside and by financial interests," he said. "I strongly advocate the initiative and referendum. Every man who has run a lobby at the state house is against it, because it means the ending of his business. That very fact ought to recommend it. If your legislature is false and disloyal you ought to have the right to appeal to the supreme court."

The former governor then presented arguments in favor of doing away with the election of congressmen by districts, saying that the 16 representatives should be chosen from the state at large. He stated that he was opposed to the recall of judges and judicial decisions, saying that the judges were the conscience of the state. He also opposed the election of a president by the electoral college.

"I am in favor of a system which will make the northeast corner of Maine count as much as the southeast corner of Texas or any doubtful state. I believe it is the popular election of presidents of the United States. I also believe there should be a law to disfranchise a man who fails to vote for two years in succession.

"The man who does not cast his ballot on election day is no different from the man who runs behind a tree when his country needs his defence."

Children Cry for Fletcher's

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The Kind You Have Always Bought has borne the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, and has been made under his personal supervision for over 30 years. Allow no one to deceive you in this. Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments, and endanger the health of Children—Experience against Experiment.

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DECEMBER

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

Southern Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
5.28	6.50	2.55	3.35
6.25	7.26	6.00	7.03
6.47	7.30	z6.35	8.17
b6.38	7.53	7.13	8.24
6.57	8.00	7.45	8.31
7.21	8.05	nb8.21	9.34
r7.28	8.45	8.45	9.40
7.56	8.37	9.00	9.39
8.56	9.37	9.30	10.09
nb9.22	10.35	11.30	12.09
9.27	10.25	12.30	1.08
10.19	11.25	h1.05	1.58
10.35	11.40	2.00	3.10
11.05	11.45	3.00	3.47
12.15	1.06	b3.44	5.00
z1.27	2.40	4.00	4.39
1.50	2.30	s4.14	5.34
2.30	3.27	5.00	5.39
h3.50	4.10	b5.21	6.37
3.55	4.35	5.35	6.29
4.15	5.26	b5.51	7.10
5.25	6.09	6.14	7.23
5.56	6.30	8.00	8.38
b6.02	7.15	8.30	9.08
6.22	7.05	9.50	10.45
8.15	8.57	10.30	11.57
9.45	10.31	11.40	12.38

Portland Div.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.35	7.36	9.15	10.33
7.54	8.45	10.50	11.53
9.40	10.53	11.50	12.55
10.59	12.07	3.30	4.41
12.05	1.13	5.14	6.12
3.42	4.41	6.08	7.06
5.14	6.44	6.40	7.57
7.07	8.15	9.49	11.14
10.15	11.35		

Sunday Trains

Southern Division

6.47	7.30	8.45	9.47
7.21	8.05	9.30	10.09
8.25	9.31	11.30	12.09
9.14	10.06	1.00	1.59
10.20	11.17	5.30	6.21
2.52	3.35	7.15	8.20
5.10	6.00	8.00	8.38
6.28	7.10	8.30	9.08
8.15	8.57	9.20	10.25
8.45	9.38	10.23	11.35
9.45	10.40		

Portland Division

8.20	9.30	8.00	9.18
12.07	1.16	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.06	3.30	4.46
5.45	7.00	5.20	6.56
8.55	10.04	8.45	9.47

b Via Bedford, s Via Salem Jct., z Via Wilmington Jct. n not run on Holidays. h Saturdays only.

KEY TO FIRE ALARM BOXES

1 All box numbers commencing with the figure one, as 12, 13, etc., up to 131 are located within a radius of about one-half mile from the North common, extending from Dutton street north to Pawtucket street and from School street east to Merrimack mills.

2 All box numbers commencing with two as 21, 23, etc., are located in the business area about one-quarter mile radius from the post office, extending from Boott mills to South common and from Dutton street to Concord river.

3 All box numbers commencing with three, are located in the lower Highlands, extending from the depot to Wilder street and from Hale street along the line of Western avenue and Pawtucket canal to Pawtucket street.

4 All box numbers commencing with four, are located in the Ayer's City and Bleachery districts, extending from Edson cemetery northerly to Hale street and from Chelmsford street easterly to Concord river.

5 All numbers commencing with five, are located in the upper Highlands and Middlesex Village.

6 All numbers commencing with six, are located in Centralville.

7 All numbers commencing with seven, are located in Pawtucketville.

8 All numbers commencing with eight, are located in Belvidere.

THREE GAMES IN WATERHEAD LEAGUE

Three interesting and well contested bowling matches were rolled in the Waterhead league on the Middlesex alleys last evening. Teams One, Six and Five outrolled Teams Three, Two and Four, respectively. Buchanan of Team One had the best total and Ecklund of Team Two made the highest single string.

In two games rolled on the Merrimack alleys in the Broadway league, the Bandits beat the Red Sox by one pin, and the Indians defeated the Bunnys.

Waterhead League

TEAM 1

Shafter	93	97	96	286
Lane	85	103	83	271
Fletcher	88	98	83	269
Selstedt	86	89	100	275
Buchanan	97	104	90	291
Totals	449	491	452	1392

TEAM 3

Fuller	94	77	92	263
Parker	65	61	77	203
Field	82	82	79	243
Boyle	82	76	79	237
McElroy	82	85	90	257
Totals	405	381	417	1203

TEAM 2

Hartley	78	78	66	222
Bax	74	71	80	225
McDonough	69	88	78	235
Ecklund	82	91	111	284
T. Collins	72	68	97	237
Totals	375	396	432	1203

TEAM 6

Pearson	89	89	95	273
Larson	61	81	63	205
Leigh	108	83	76	267
Erickson	95	95	98	288
Shepard	89	88	93	270
Totals	449	436	425	1303

TEAM FOUR

	1	2	3	T'ls
Hansen	71	67	67	205
Burke	92	79	84	255
Hildreth	83	79	80	242
R. Collins	83	81	80	244
Barber	76	85	81	242
Totals	405	391	392	1188

TEAM FIVE

Ward	89	84	85	258
Hughes	80	80	72	232
Anderson	80	86	73	239
Angelo	80	91	83	254
Lindquist	94	93	98	285
Totals	423	434	411	1268

Broadway League

RED SOX

	1	2	3	T'ls
J. Shugrue	77	92	89	258
T. Smith	83	111	104	298
Broadbent	94	98	88	280
Kane	76	85	78	239
Griffin	102	96	89	287
Totals	432	482	448	1362

BANDITS

McMahon	94	75	105	274
Murphy	77	81	87	[illegible]
Flynn	94	95	84	273
Donovan	87	103	93	283
J. O'Brien	97	95	98	290
Totals	429	449	467	1363

INDIANS

Cadden	96	84	90	270
J. Donovan	108	83	96	287
Lynch	79	91	86	256
Turgeon	82	101	80	263
Teague	89	86	87	262
Totals	454	445	439	1338

BUNNYS

Bearke	71	92	80	237
Hatch	77	70	67	214
Morrison	112	84	83	279
Kelly	84	86	91	261
R. O'Brien	101	112	110	323
Totals	445	434	431	1318

Les Miserables League

WOODBINES

A. Chappelle	86	88	107	281
C. Kenefick	95	84	91	270
T. Cardin	93	84	80	257
J. Jedoin	105	99	93	297
J. Buckley	101	108	90	299
Totals	453	463	461	1407

WAUSHAKUMS

T. Clark	77	104	85	266
E. Preston	81	110	96	287
J. King	98	83	91	272
F. Gillis	92	89	96	277
A. Doyle	107	95	112	314
Totals	455	481	480	1416

STALLINGS SLATED TO MANAGE CUBS

FRED MITCHELL MAY REPLACE HIM AS HEAD OF THE BOSTON BRAVES

According to a rumor which had its origin at the big baseball meeting in New York city, the question of Manager George Stallings of the Boston Braves being sold to Chicago to lead the Cubs is being earnestly discussed. If Stallings is allowed to go, it is understood, Fred Mitchell will succeed him in the Braves' camp.

A long conference was held yesterday afternoon and evening in the Harvard Varsity club, New York city, between President Weegham of the Chicago Cubs and President Haughton of the Braves. Stallings is willing to go to Chicago, and the Boston club is said to be holding off to get more out of the deal. President Haughton is understood to be anxious to see Mitchell in charge of the Braves.

CHANGES PROPOSED IN WORLD'S SERIES

IT IS SUGGESTED THAT NINE GAMES BE PLAYED INSTEAD OF SEVEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Many subjects of considerable baseball interest were discussed informally by the big league magnates here yesterday. One of the chief topics was proposed changes in the rules governing the world's series.

Several of the owners expressed the opinion that radical changes would be adopted by the National league and submitted to the American league for ratification.

Garry Herrman, chairman of the national baseball commission and president of the Cincinnati club, stated that he was heartily in favor of playing the 1917 series under an entirely different system.

Herrman said he advocated a series based upon the winning of five out of nine games, lower prices of admission, and the distribution of a portion of the players' share of the receipts among members of the second, third and fourth teams in the order of their finish at the close of the pennant race.

He said he believed that with the series lengthened there would be greater opportunity for the fans from all parts of the country to see the games, and admission charges could be lowered without lessening the aggregate receipts.

WEST AND KELLY IN DRAW

PITTSFIELD, Dec. 12.—Chick West of Holyoke and Harlem Eddie Kelly fought a 12-round draw last night. It was a slambang bout all the way. West's punches in several of the rounds rocked Kelly's head frequently, while the same was true of the Holyoke boy.

The card was one of the best here this season. The semi-final between Fighting Pat Flynn and Young Disco, both of this city, was a thriller. Buck Daley of Holyoke bested Babe Lamore of North Adams in the preliminary.

CORNELL ELECTS SHIVERICK

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Fritz Shiverick, Cornell's star quarterback, last night was elected captain of the 1917 Cornell football team.

HAVERHILL WANTS MORE

The members of the Haverhill high football squad have been instructed to remain in training in preparation for two post-season engagements, one possibly with Brookline high and one with the Manchester, N. H., high team. The latter tied Haverhill several weeks ago. If the Haverhill management will agree a game will be played next Saturday.

Brookline high does not seem partial to any more football, as it broke training Nov. 30.

PHINNEY BOYLE HAS BUSY WEEK

Phinney Boyle, the local lightweight, has two stiff engagements for this week. Tonight at Boston, Boyle will attempt to take Mickey Donnelly, who hails from Newark, N. J., into camp, while on Thursday he will renew acquaintances with Larry Hansen at Lawrence.

Donnelly is slated to cause the local lad considerable trouble during the twelve rounds that the bout is scheduled to go, as he has fought nearly all the leading featherweights in the east with varied successes He is described as a rushing, tearing sort of boxer who delights in having his opponent mix with him, but he will not get Phinney to trade wallops as Boyle realizes that his speed and cleverness will enable him to secure verdicts over men of the boring type.

According to accounts, Boyle will need all of his cleverness if he is to keep out of the way of the wild punches. Donnelly delights in swinging and hooking about with painful results if they land on his opponent. The Newark boy has a long list of knockouts attached to his record, that is, he has hung the sleep punch on his opponents' chin.

Boyle reports that he is in excellent shape for the coming encounters and says that he will win both fights as he feels confident that inside boxing will offset a rugged fighter nine times out of ten. Both Hansen and Donnelly are sluggers pure and simple and Boyle will have his work cut out for him if he cops the decision over two such classy men.

Joe Eagan of South Boston will meet Jeff Smith of New Jersey, in the final twelve round bout and if Eagan has one of his goods nights, he will cause Smith much worry. Smith has fought all over the world and is one of the choice few that have annexed a win over that wonderful Australian Les Darcy. He recently gave Mike Gibbons a strenuous argument at St. Paul.

Gardner Brooks of this city is also listed for a bout tonight, Jack Sharkey of New York, will be his vis-a-vis at the Pioneer Sporting club and some fight ought to develop if the local bantamweight is in fine fettle. Brooks has not participated in a ring go since Mike Brown defeated him in this city last Spring and the long layoff will probably affect his distance. If he defeats Sharkey, Brooks has been promised a mill with one of the topnotch bantams at the same club and Gardner will be out there trying all the time for the coveted prize.

BOX 12 ROUND DRAW

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 12.—Jimmy Farren of Boston and Kid Lee of Chelsea battled 12 fast and clever rounds last night at the Congress A.C., with the general opinion that it was a draw. Charlie Pearson of Providence drew with "Dusty" Krool of Fort Williams in six rounds, and Kid Johnson of Portland quit after getting a beating from Dave Rolte of Fort Williams in one round.

THE FAME OF WHISTLER

A very pleasant time was enjoyed at the Whistler house last evening when many members of the Art association gathered to hear an informal talk by Frank Edwin Elwell, the sculptor who spoke before the Women's club in the afternoon. Mr. Elwell said that the fame of Whistler is a proof that the theories voiced at the club were true as the artist in the man has blotted out all the mean, petty or superficial things that critics and biographers have made so much of. He said that the picture of Carlyle is the greatest portrait since the days of Botticelli, and among the greatest names in the roll of truly American artists are Whistler, Inness, LaFarge and St. Gaudens. An informal reception was held and refreshments were served by the hospitality committee.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

CARPENTIER WANTS TWO CHANGES IN CONTRACT

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Tex Rickard, who with Samuel McCracken, is negotiating for a 10-round bout between Jess Willard, the heavyweight champion of the world, and Georges Carpentier of France, Europe's premier heavyweight boxer, announced yesterday that a cablegram had arrived in which the French boxer expressed himself as willing to oppose Willard provided that several changes were made in the contract forwarded to Paris. This is the first definite word that has been received from the French heavyweight since the announcement that negotiations were under way for the bout. At that time it was announced that contracts had been sent to Paris for Carpentier's signature and a reply was expected daily.

The changes referred to in the cablegram received had to do with the division of the motion picture money and the amount of expense money allowed the French boxer. These did not satisfy him, and Mr. Rickard authorized a reply to the effect that the changes would be made, so that the contract would be acceptable to the French heavyweight.

Mr. Rickard also announced that he knew definitely that Les Darcy, the Australian boxer, was on his way to this country. "I have received positive information that Darcy is on board the steamship Hattie Luckenbach," said the western promoter, "and I expect soon to hear that he has landed safely in this country." This clears up the mystery that has surrounded the whereabouts of Darcy since the news of his leaving Australia was first made public.

Asked what progress he had made toward securing a lease of Madison Sq. garden, Mr. Rickard said:

"The matter is not settled, and I do not believe it will be for several days."

KILBANE OUTBOXES MILLER

Latter Was Lucky to Avoid Knockout in Twelve Rounds of Milling in Ohio Last Night

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 12.—Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion, outboxed, outgeneraled and outclassed Alvie Miller of Lorain in a 12-round bout here last night.

The early rounds were tame, but from the sixth round on Kilbane tried to land a knockout, only to have his efforts cancelled by the persistent tendency of Miller to cover and go into his shell.

LEAGUE OWNERS DEFY NATIONAL COMMISSION

BALK ON PAYMENT OF NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS TO BROOKLYN NATIONAL CLUB

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—At their annual meeting yesterday the International league owners threw down the gauntlet and defied the national commission, regarded as the supreme court in organized baseball.

After considerable discussion it was decided not to abide by the rules of the commission, which would compel the Newark club to pay $9000 to the Brooklyn baseball club owners.

Originally, Charles Ebbets, on behalf of the Brooklyn club owners, made a claim of $74,000 on the Newark club for its International league franchise, and the national commission finally ordered the Newark club to pay $9000.

When Pres. Barrow of the International league announced this action, after the meeting had adjourned yesterday, he was asked if his organization intended to defy the ruling of the national commission, and he simply replied:

"I have just told you what action the league has taken in the matter and have nothing more to say."

The International league delegates endorsed the efforts of the National Association of Minor Leagues to have the three Class AA clubs relieved from the draft rule. J. Calewing, Oakland, Cal., Pres. John T. Hickey, American association, and Pres. Barrow were appointed at the recent convention at New Orleans as a committee for this purpose and in furtherance of this request they will call upon the National league delegates at their meeting here today. They will leave for Chicago tonight in order to bring the matter before the annual meeting of the American league there on Thursday.

HELP WANTED

FEW GIRLS wanted, 16 years of age and over, for packing room. Steady work and good pay. Apply W. H. Bagshaw Co., Warren street.

WOMAN wanted for light housekeeping, 392 Westford st. Tel. 83-M.

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LANNIN HAS MORTGAGE ON RED SOX CLUB

"BRONCHO BILL" ANDERSON SAID TO BE BACKING FRAZEE AND WARD IN PURCHASE

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Baseball men say that the backer of Frazee and Ward in the purchase of the champion Boston Red Sox is "Broncho Bill" Anderson of movie fame. This information comes from several American league men who have been investigating the sale of the Red Sox by Joseph J. Lannin to H. H. Frazee, Hugh Ward and Willie Collier, the actor.

Frazee and Ward already have seen Ban Johnson here and, it is said, they have admitted Anderson's part in the big deal. When the American league meets on Thursday the sale of the Red Sox probably will be confirmed and the new owners will be formally admitted. President Johnson's circuit is in a flourishing condition and with the exception of the Red Sox case, only routine business will occupy the time of the club owners.

They will also adopt the new form of player's contract by a unanimous vote and also will instruct Johnson to vote for Herrmann's re-election to the commission.

J. J. Lannin is out of the Red Sox, but he retains a mortgage for nearly half the sale price of the ball club. However, it is expected that this indebtedness will be largely reduced within a year.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF GOLF ASSOCIATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Every active club in the United States Golf association was urged to send a delegate to the annual meeting of the association here Jan. 12 in a letter sent out by Howard F. Whitney, secretary of the association. Mr. Whitney instructs the clubs that matters of "vital importance" need careful consideration and that it is essential to the sport that every club be represented. It is hoped that the question over the present amateur rule may be threshed out to a final and definite conclusion.

In addition the delegates will be asked to vote upon the courses which have been suggested for the three annual tournaments. Five clubs, all in the west, are in line for the national amateur event. These include the Shawnee Country club, [illegible] Ill., Glenview Golf club, Ill., Kent Country club, Grand Rapids, Mich., and the Oakmont Country club, Hulton, Allegheny county, Pa.

In the open tournament the delegates will be asked to select from the following five courses: Brae Burn Country club, West Newton, Mass.; Fox Hills Golf club, Stapleton, N. Y.; Shawnee Country club, Shawnee-on-the-Delaware, Pa.; Shinnecock Country club, New London, Conn., and Whitemarsh Country club, Chestnut Hill, Pa.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

NICE COTTAGE of 7 rooms for sale; near Kinsman st.; fine repair inside and out. $1350. M. Quealy, 41 Royal st. Tel. 2558-W.

FOR SALE

SHOE REPAIRING SHOP for sale, first class, with motor and finishing bench, all tools necessary, well established. Write E39, this office.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

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SPORTING NEWS

That Lowell sports appreciate good racing, regardless of the outcome was demonstrated last week, when Nebes and Burke appeared in three roller skating races. Nebes won all events, but the fact that Burke put up a game fight, and gave the Lowell boy a battle all the way appealed to the crowd, and all were loud in their praise for the plucky exhibition put up by the Bridge-port man.

Lowell may soon have an opportunity of seeing the world's champion roller skater. Manager Moore of the local rink is conducting negotiations with Cione, the title holder, despite the fact that the Champ in his first reply almost wanted the rink in return for his presence here. A counter proposition was submitted to him, which the local rink manager thinks that if he desires to risk his title, he cannot refuse to accept.

A running race between Tony Drouin of the Mathews and James Crowe of the C.M.I. Cadets against Fred Couture of the Bellevue club, will be the next attraction at the Rollaway.

Lowell bowlers are enjoying a good season, and all the alleys report a brisk business.

The proposed bout between Georges Carpentier and Jess Willard is attracting considerable attention.

Lowell boxers are again in the limelight, with Boyle, Brooks and Sheppard in condition and ready to meet any man in the country at their respective weights.

Jimmy Gardner, who a few years ago was one of the best boxers in the game, is training hard with the intention of soon attempting to come back. His many Lowell admirers wish him success, and sincerely hope that he will be able to show the ability that made him famous and feared by all men of his weight in the country. Lowell friends of Jimmie, who have seen him lately, declare he is in the pink of condition. His health is excellent and training does not tire him in the least.

LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth of Massachusetts— Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Catherine M. Mahoney, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to Mary J. Mahoney, of Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Lowell, in said County of Middlesex, on the nineteenth day of December, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register.

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DR. HARRINGTON DEAD

Word has come to this city of the death in Grand Junction, Col., of Dr. Robert Brine Harrington, who spent a term at the Tewksbury State hospital about 10 years ago after having completed his medical studies at Tufts Medical college. He was the son of Mrs. Frances Brine Harrington and the late John Harrington, and was born in Somerville. He leaves a wife and twin daughters. At the time of his death he was county and city physician at Grand Junction.

IN BOSTON

The Sun is on sale every day at both news stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

The Sun goes into nearly every home in Lowell and vicinity. Merchants know that Sun readers respond to their advertisements.

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TWO CHILDREN BURN TO DEATH

Relative Tried In Vain to Save Them at North Pelham, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Sleeper, Formerly of Lowell, Lost Home

NORTH PELHAM, N. H., Dec. 12.—Paul Edwin Sleeper, aged 6, and his brother Graham, aged 5, children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Sleeper, were burned to death by a fire in their home last night, supposedly caused by the capsizing of an oil lamp, and the Sleeper bungalow, into which the family moved only Sunday, was burned to the ground. The loss is estimated at $1000 and there is no insurance.

Sleeper has been a resident of the town for several years and is highly respected. He works nights as an engineer for the Nashua Gummed and Coated Paper Company and was almost overcome when notified by telephone of the tragedy. He had built the bunalow himself, out of his own savings. It is on the Mammouth road, connecting Concord and Lo-

Mrs. Sleeper had left home at 6 last evening to visit the home of her brother, Joseph Selvas, nearby. She had just left the Selvas home for her own, about 6.30, when her daughter Ethel, aged 7, came running toward her in night clothes, dragging her younger sister, Rena, 1½ years old. Seeing her mother she screamed that the house was afire and Mrs. Sleeper ran toward the house.

When she tried to enter it, she was partly overcome by the flames and smoke. Selvas meantime had arrived and he vainly tried to rescue the children. He fell unconscious, and before he was brought out he had suffered minor burns about the body. After an hour's work, Dr. Henry O. Smith of Hudson revived him, but he is still in bad shape, having inhaled smoke and flames. Selvas is at the home of Dr. John Blackman, nearer the scene of the fire, where he was brought at first.

The Sleepers and the two children were taken in by Mrs. Ellen Woods, a neighbor. The Sleepers came here several years ago from Lowell, Mass. The bodies of the two children, burnt beyond recognition, were taken out of the debris after the fire subsided and were taken in charge by an undertaker.

LICENSE BIG FEATURE IN LAWRENCE

LAWRENCE, Dec. 12.—Although it is an "off year" in the sense that no mayor is to be elected this year, today's election promises to be a spirited one here. Active interest is being displayed in each of the contests to be balloted on, both sides in each have made arrangements to bring out a big vote and there is every indication of a total of over 10,000 votes being cast. An active campaign started here since Haverhill, Salem and Fall River went dry and has stirred the license forces to activity, and it is expected that there will be a heavy vote cast on the license question. Last year the majority in favor of license was materially larger than the preceding year but the no-license forces are endeavoring to reverse conditions this year, especially since Haverhill went dry, and they claim there is a strong livelihood of Lowell doing likewise.

THE LOWELL GUILD

At the meeting of the Lowell Guild, held in the guild home, Dutton street, yesterday afternoon, a large attendance heard the reading of the monthly report by Miss Holland, the superintendent. Miss Edith Stott, president, presided. A summary of the report is as follows:

The total number of nursing visits caring for the sick in the homes was 981; milk station calls instruction in the homes, 351, pre-natal visits, 2?; babies at conference, 50; new babies taken on, breast fed 6, home modification 14, station modification 8, material relief, milk quarts 711, grocery orders 19; co-operating agencies, Knights of Columbus Guild, truant officer, Anti-Tuberculosis league, Humane society, Lowell Social Service league, police station, Lowell General hospital, Lowell hospital; clothing given, three boxes women's clothing, three boxes children's clothing, one baby's outfit, five pairs shoes, one baby carriage.

Talks given on personal health and personal hygiene: Barry Shoe shop, Ipswich hosiery, Hatch's box shop, Miss Martin's Camp Fire Girls, St. Anne's Camp Fire Girls, care of the baby and modification of milk, Vocational school.

Attention is called again to the value of visiting nurse associations and milk stations in making people realize that intelligent care means not only life, but also health and happiness, to many people who would otherwise suffer seriously.

The sum of $700 has been received from subscriptions and more is expected before Jan. 1. Cordial support for this work is earnestly solicited, as the object of the milk station especially is the conservation of the next generation through the prevention of the needless waste of infant life.

BRITISH EMPIRE AT WAR WILL BE RUN BY FIVE MEN, LLOYD GEORGE AT HEAD



ARTHUR HENDERSON



LLOYD-GEORGE



BONAR LAW



LORD CURZON



LORD MILNER

Concentrating the direction of the British end of the war in the hands of five men Premier David Lloyd George, Lord President of the Council Earl Curzon (to be government leader in the house of lords), Chancellor of the Exchequer Andrew Bonar Law (to be government leader in the house of commons), Arthur Henderson and Lord Milner (the last two ministers without folio) places far more power in the hands of the prime minister than the British governmental system has ever known before. Mr. Lloyd George's proposals to Premier Asquith were for a war council, of which the premier could not be a member, although he should have the power of passing on its work. Mr. Lloyd George has not hesitated to place himself in the position more closely resembling a dictatorship than he was willing to give his predecessor.

David Lloyd George was denounced in Tory circles just before the war began as the man who was "dragging the country to the dogs" by his "socialist" measures.

Starting life as an inconspicuous Welsh solicitor, he escaped notice until 1890 when at the age of thirty-seven, he entered parliament as member from Carnarvon, Wales. Five years later he was appointed a member of the Campbell-Bannerman cabinet, holding the portfolio of president of the board of trade. When Asquith became premier in April, 1908, Lloyd George took over the portfolio of chancellor of the exchequer, where he soon became the best hated enemy of the Tories and a popular idol of the people at large.

Since then he has grown in popular esteem and power until he was looked upon as the logical leader for the kingdom in the present crisis.

Andrew Bonar Law, who has been a member of parliament for sixteen years, was an iron merchant and formerly a member of the firms of William Kinstone & Sons and William Jacks & Co., both of Glasgow. He was born in Canada and is the first colonial to head the Unionist party.

Mr. Law was appointed secretary of state for the colonies in the coalition cabinet formed last year after being leader of the opposition in the house of commons since 1911.

Lord Curzon, who is fifty-seven years old, has had long experience in foreign affairs, his most important post being viceroy of India, where he served during 1899-1905. Prior to this he had been undersecretary of state for India and later for foreign affairs. He has been lord of the privy seal of England since 1915. Since the beginning of the war he has been active in the recruiting campaign. He was married to an American, Miss Leiter, who died, and his engagement to another American, a widow, has been announced.

Arthur Henderson, leader of the Labor party in the house of commons, resigned from the Asquith cabinet, in which he held the post of president of the board of education, in August of this year. On Nov. 8 he was appointed minister of pensions, a newly created post made necessary by the war. He started life as a molder in the works of Robert Stephenson & Co. Mr. Henderson has been a member of parliament since 1903, and during 1908-10 was chairman of the parliamentary Labor party.

Lord Milner, who was among those mentioned as successor to Lord Kitchener as secretary for war, has long been identified with Egypt and South Africa. He has had a distinguished record as a colonial administrator, and he has been one of the leading advocates of conscription.

GREEK ARMY TO RESIST ALLIES

King Constantine Has Over 10,000 Troops Ready In Athens

Looks for German Thrust In Macedonia — Important Speech

BERLIN, via Tuckerton, Dec. 12.—The centre of military gravity has shifted suddenly to Greece, where further developments are awaited here with the keenest interest. Wireless communication with Athens has been re-established and a wireless report reaching Sofia gives the following survey of the situation:

King Constantine has, in Athens alone, over 10,000 troops loyal to him. Reservists and volunteers are hurrying to the colors all over Greece. Their number should soon reach 100,000. The feeling in Greece against the entente is strained almost to the breaking point. A single thoughtless act or new tactlessness on the part of the allies may cause an explosion. It is confidently hoped in Greek government circles that events will shortly take place in Macedonia which will liberate Greece from the clutches of the entente and make a quick end of the critical situation."

Expectation is keyed to the highest pitch in this connection by the sudden summoning of the reichstag and the announcement that the chancellor will deliver an important speech on the military and political situation today. Political circles here are indulging in the liveliest speculation as to what the chancellor will disclose.

It is known that the visit of King Leopold of Bavaria to headquarters, whence the chancellor, too, has just returned, is connected with the forthcoming announcement. That something of almost unprecedented moment is in the wind is further indicated by the kaiser at this time conferring the grand iron cross on Hindenburg, together with a personal letter of a warmth calculated to make a tremendous effect on public opinion. While it is understood the chancellor will go exhaustively into the military situation in Roumania, it is said that this is by no means the main theme of his heralded speech.

The Berlin Gazette is able to say in connection with the chancellor's speech, that events now occurring in the south-east had caused the government to plan summoning the reichstag as soon as they had sufficiently progressed, but that developments had come so much faster than was expected that it was decided to call the reichstag together sooner than was planned. The chancellor is expected to disclose certain information of both military and political nature of the utmost importance for the further development of the general political situation.

PUT U.S. NAVY'S NEEDS AHEAD

Secretary Daniels Asks Authority Over Steel Plants

Drastic Defense Measures to Be Urged Upon Congress

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The attention of congress was directed sharply yesterday to matters relating to both the army and navy, which are expected to be productive of agitation for even more drastic measures of national defense than have yet been seriously considered.

Secretary Daniels before the house naval committee advocated legislation which would compel steel companies and other private concerns to give preference to government orders for military supplies. He will submit a new section for the pending naval appropriation bill for this purpose in order to hasten battleship construction, which, he declared, was being delayed by commercial work both in the yards of private builders and in the steel plants.

Secretary Baker wrote Speaker Clark in response to a house resolution that 71,834 out of the grand total of 163,-800 National Guardsmen taken into the federal service up to Aug. 31, were without previous military training. Rejections of enrolled guardsmen for various causes operated later to increase the number of raw recruits to approximately 60 per cent. of the force.

To Cite British Cabinet Crisis

In this connection also, army officers charged with the duty of studying events of the European war, both political and military, made preparations to contend before the congressional military commission that the fundamental reason for the cabinet crisis in England was the volunteer military policy there prior to the passage of the conscription act.

The experience of Great Britain is viewed by these officers as the strongest argument for the establishment of universal military training in the United States as urged in the report of Maj. Gen. Hugh Scott, chief of staff, and to which the entire American general staff is committed.

Another aspect of the National Guard situation came from Quartermaster-General Sharpe, who told of a $35,-000,000 deficiency incurred by the war department to equip any pay state troops now in the federal service. If an average of 75,000 men are retained on the border until June 30, he said, the deficiency will be $50,000,000. The universal training advocates are expected to use these figures in contending that prohibitive cost would be the result of the present system if the nation needed a great army.

Delays in Naval Program

Secretary Daniels explained to the naval committee a statement in his annual report as to the delays encountered in getting the building program authorized by the last session under construction. He pointed out that no satisfactory bids have been received for the four battle cruisers of the 1917 battle program, nor any bids at all for three of the four scout cruisers. They are new types, but vitally necessary, in the opinion of the general board, the secretary said, and added:

"Every time we make a change and advancement in design, the shipbuilders want to stick to the old plans."

The secretary will ask $6,000,000 a year for the equipment of government yards to build ships. He inserted a statement in the committee record showing his approval of the general board's recommendations for 12-gun, 23-knot, 42,000-ton battleships in the 1918 program at a probable cost per hull and machinery alone of $15,-000,000 each. The ships will carry 16-inch 50-calibre guns, the most powerful weapons ever designed for naval use, mounted three to a turret.

Would Promote Boatswain Hill

The secretary recommended abolition of the naval prison at Portsmouth, N. H., and the establishment there of a marine barracks for 1000 men. He said that marine detachments from the Naval academy, the Boston and New York navy wards and elsewhere would be concentrated at the new post, while the prisoners would be sent to the prison ship Southery at Portsmouth.

Mr. Daniels praised the services of Boatswain Hill, commanding the Southery, and approved a suggestion by Representative Roberts that he be made a commander in the navy by act of congress.

Extension of facilities for enlisted men to enter the Naval academy was urged by the secretary, but he disapproved the suggestion for early graduation of midshipmen to fill vacancies in the service. He intimated that he might ask later that the pay of all enlisted men on first enlistment be raised to encourage recruiting, but did not go into details.

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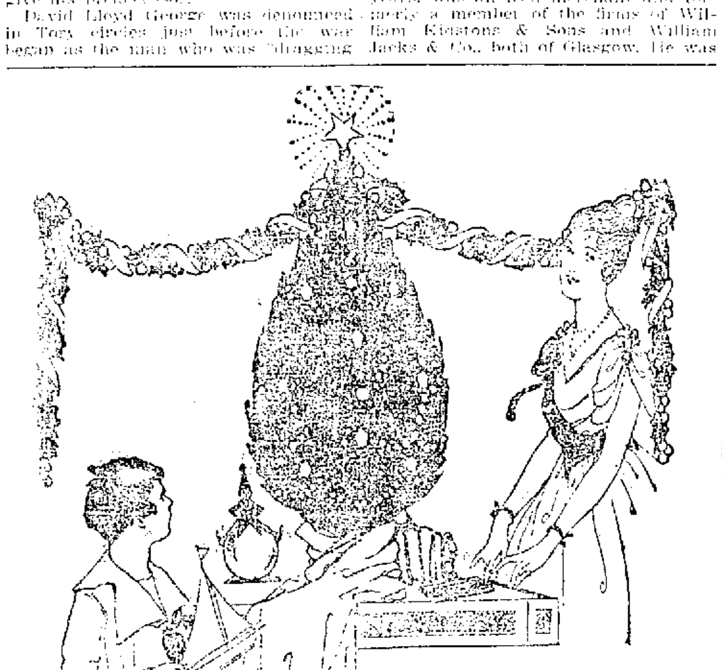
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W. E. SWIFT ELECTED MAYOR OF AUGUSTA

DEMOCRATS ELECT MAYOR AND ALDERMEN AT WESTBORO MAINE

AUGUSTA, Dec. 12.—Willis E. Swift, republican, was elected mayor of Augusta for two years yesterday by a plurality of 56[illegible] over E. Maynard Thompson, democrat, and Calvin Carr, independent. The vote: Swift, 1617; Thompson, 10[illegible]; Carr, 22. The aldermen-elect are Oscar P. Anderson, Virgil T. [illegible], Henry O. Parmenter, J. O. Blanchette, Charles B. Philbrick, Arthur G. Hopkins and Burton Cohen, republicans and Amos E. Cunningham, democrat.

WESTBROOK, Dec. 12.—Oscar K. [illegible], democrat, was elected mayor of Westbrook yesterday over Hugh A. [illegible], republican, who had a plurality of 12[illegible] a year ago. The democrats elected all three aldermen at large and four of the 10 ward aldermen. The board stood last year, nine republicans and four democrats.

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FRANK EDWIN ELWELL AT WOMEN'S CLUB

Frank Edwin Elwell of New York, the noted sculptor who made the Lilley and Bonney monuments in the Lowell cemetery, kindly consented to fill in an open date at the Middlesex Women's club yesterday afternoon. His talk was entitled "Why Honesty Is the Soul of Art," and in the development of his theme he stated many original ideas on a great variety of subjects. The central idea of his talk was the need for art appreciation in America and more especially the need for appreciation of American art and American artists.

"We live in a house of clay," said Mr. Elwell, and it is hard to see the ideal. Yet, there have always been priods of art. There was the stone age, the iron age, the copper age, and the golden age, and now we have the tin can age. No nation can hope to perpetuate itself without some form of art, and there are great possibilities for art in this country. Why, then, cannot we have an age of art in America? One of the difficulties, he thinks, is the system of education, and we keep adding to its details of throwing away the discard."

The lecturer said that it is a sad opportunity on public taste that our wealthy men run after second rate junk from Europe instead of helping artists of real genius here at home. In its great haste to make money and to enjoy itself in a mad round of pleasures America has forgotten beauty and lacks the repose which is necessary for the cultivation of art. There was a promise with St. Gaudens and Innes but "they have passed into the next room and we are back to the junk heap." A few, he said, educated at Ecole des Beaux Arts, try to keep alive the tradition, but there is little encouragement. He would have museums for American art only in every city instead of the "museums of faked masterpieces" that are now so common.

Mr. Elwell said that in the cultivation of art and the ideals of art is one of the hopes of the future race, because it is contrary to the spirit that brought about the present. War, he said, is degradation and is not patriotism and if the soldiers realized their personal dignity and their relation to the Supreme they would throw down their arms and let the rulers fight it out alone. He sees a happy change coming and things that "soon it will be as popular to go to the studio of a living American painter as to patronize some foreign Barnum of the artistic profession who comes here to be lionized by American society. The Greeks gave the world the highest ideal of physical beauty and America can give the world the greatest spiritual beauty.

In conclusion he spoke of the spirit of art and the instincts of the real artists, bringing his talk up to a revent climax and offtentimes steering a courageous course through controversial subject. His lecture bristled with epigrams and though one might be inclined to question some of hth deductions he spoke throughout with force, originality and distinction.

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MAJORITY FOR LICENSE 802

LICENSE VOTE LAST YEAR

Last year the city voted "yes" by a majority of 1472, the total number of votes cast being 7503 "yes" and 6031 "no." The closest contest on this question was in ward three where 889 voted against license and 854 in favor. Ward one also showed a contest, 742 voting "yes" and 715 "no."

Ward three and eight were the only wards in the city to show a no-license majority. Ward six voted 1024 "yes" and 628 "no;" ward eight 970 "no" and 767 "yes".

MAYOR AND MORSE DON'T AGREE ON STREET CONSTRUCTION

A noted difference of opinion recently developed between Mayor O'Donnell and Commissioner Charles F. Morse in the matter of using tar in street construction so late in the season. The mayor wrote a letter to the commissioner in which he stated that he was informed by men who knew that the weather was too cold to use either oil or tar and that the practice ought to be stopped.

"When I received that letter," said Commissioner Morse this morning, "I was macadamizing Daniels street off Andover, and was about quarter way through. I took no notice of the letter because I knew what I was doing and that I was right I kept right on and finished Daniels street, and I would

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SUIT FOR $1000 AGAINST DAVID ZISKIND

An automobile accident which occurred at the corner of Market and Suffolk streets on November 2nd last has resulted in a $1000 suit, an action of tort, brought by Nicholas Contrakos of this city against David Ziskind. Walker H. Pearson represents the plaintiff and Dickson & Knowles the defendant.

In his declaration the plaintiff alleges that he was riding around the corner on a bicycle when he was struck by an automobile owned and operated by the defendant and thrown to the street. He claims that he was injured and that his bicycle and clothing were destroyed. The defendant's answer is that Contrakos was to blame for the accident.

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TEXT OF NOTE ADDRESSED BY GERMANY AND HER ALLIES TO ENEMIES

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—Following is the text of the note addressed by Germany and her allies to the hostile governments:

"The most terrific war ever experienced in history has been raging for the last two years and a half over a large part of the world—a catastrophe which thousands of years of common civilization was unable to prevent, and which injures the most precious achievements of humanity. Our aims are not to shatter nor annihilate our adversaries. In spite of our consciousness of our military and economic strength and our readiness to continue the war (which has been forced upon us) until the bitter end, if necessary, and at the same time prompted by the desire to avoid further bloodshed and make an end to the atrocities of war, the four allied powers propose to enter forthwith into peace negotiations.

"The propositions which they bring forward for such negotiations and which have for their object a guarantee of the existence, of the honor and liberty of evolution for their nations are, according to their firm belief, an appropriate basis for the establishment of a lasting peace.

"The four allied powers have been obliged to take up arms to defend justice and the liberty of national evolution. The glorious deeds of our armies have in no way altered their purpose. We always maintained the firm belief that our own rights and justified claims in no way control the rights of these nations.

"The spiritual and material progress which were the pride of Europe at the beginning of the Twentieth century are threatened with ruin. Germany and her allies, Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey, gave proof of their unconquerable strength in this struggle. They gained gigantic advantages over adversaries superior in number and war material. Our lines stand unshaken against every repeated attempt made by armies.

"The last attack in the Balkans has been rapidly and victoriously overcome. The most recent events have demonstrated that further continuance of the war will not result in breaking the resistance of our forces, and the whole situation with regard to our troops justified our expectation of further successes."

Germany Proposes Peace

BERLIN, Dec. 11, via wireless to Sayville—Germany and her allies today proposed to enter forthwith into peace negotiations. The propositions which they will bring forward are, according to Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, appropriate for the establishment of a lasting peace. The Austrian, Turkish and Bulgarian governments are making similar proposals. These proposals have been transmitted also to the Vatican.

The following announcement was given out today by the semi-official Overseas News agency:

"The chancellor this morning received one after another the representatives of the United States of America and Spain and Switzerland—that is, of the states protecting German interests in hostile foreign countries. The chancellor transmitted to them a note and asked them to bring it to the knowledge of the hostile governments. The note will be read today in the reichstag by the chancellor.

"In the note the four allied (central) powers propose to enter forwith on peace negotiations.

"The propositions which they bring for such negotiations are, according to their firm belief, appropriate for the establishment of a lasting peace.

"The governments at Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia transmitted identical notes and also communicated with the Holy See and all other neutral powers.

CHANCELLOR'S SPEECH

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech in the reichstag on the peace proposals will be found on page ten, fourth column.

GERMANY'S PEACE TERMS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Advices from Berlin to the German embassy indicate that Germany's peace terms, in general measure propose the restoration of the status quo before the war with the exception of the establishment of independent kingdoms of Poland and Lithuania. They are un-

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The Allis-Chalmers Co., manufacturers of war munitions, today declared an extra 1 1-2 per cent. on account of back dividends on preferred stock together with the regular quarterly disbursement of 1 1-2 per cent.

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—An official announcement issued today says that Field Marshal von Hindenburg as the oldest active general of the Prussian army, in the name of the army, has made a request of the emperor that he himself wear the Grand Cross of the Iron Cross. The emperor has accepted.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Government officials made it plain today that while they are conducting inquiries into the high cost of living and planning grand jury action against any who have conspired to maintain prices, the principal remedies must come through economies and co-operation of the public.

BERLIN, Dec. 12, via wireless to Sayville.—Desperate attacks are being continued by the entente forces in the Monastir region on the Macedonian front, but without success, the war office announced today.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Lloyd's announces that the Danish steamer Inger, 786 tons gross, has been sunk.

BERLIN, Dec. 12, via wireless to Sayville.—Heavy artillery actions on the Franco-Belgian front both in the Somme region and the Verdun sector, are reported in today's army headquarters statement on operations in this war area.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 12.—The Furness line steamer Messina, seven days overdue on a voyage from London to this port, arrived here today.

LONDON, Dec. 12, 3:45 p. m.—The foreign office today informed the Associated Press that it is unable to dis-

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LOWELL MAN NOT GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

Edward Chaput, of 502 Moody street, this city, who was being held on a charge of manslaughter for causing the death of a man named Torosian in an automobile accident, was yesterday released after the grand jury sitting at Dedham returned no bill against him.

A couple of months ago Chaput and a couple of other young men from this city left Lowell on an automobile ride. When they reached Foxboro they met a disabled machine on the road and Torosian and another party named Fred Curtis were among the occupants of the disabled car. The Lowell boys volunteered their services and took Torosian and Curtis along in their car while the disabled automobile was towed in.

Chaput, who was not a licensed chauffeur, was at the wheel under the supervision of the chauffeur in charge of the car. The machine was so crowded that one of the passengers stood on the running board, and while turning a corner the passenger on the running board got hold of the steering wheel to protect himself from falling, with the result that the car crashed into a cement bridge. Curtis was severely injured, while Torosian received injuries, which proved fatal.

Chaput was arraigned on a charge of manslaughter and was later released on a $2,000 bail. The case was heard by the grand jury with the result that no bill was found. Arthur L. Eno of this city and Lawyer Shea of Boston appeared for Chaput.

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SUPERIOR COURT

Case Against Martha A. Gage Went to the Jury This Afternoon—One Juror Ill

The case of Vida S. Walker, administratrix, vs. Martha A. Gage was given to the jury for deliberation in the local session of the superior court this afternoon after nearly five days of trial. At the opening of court this forenoon arguments were made by the respective attorneys and Judge Keating's charge was made this afternoon. The defence argued that the death of Benjamin Hirst, Mrs. Walker's father, was not caused by the accident six months before, as was claimed by the plaintiff.

But 11 jurors decided the case as the 12th, who sat for the five days hearing the evidence, was ill this morning and did not report. Counsel for both sides agreed to allow 11 men to return a verdict rather than delay the case any longer, and this was agreeable to court.

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According to the testimony, after the facts offered by witnesses had

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It is safe to say that never before in the history of this city have so many new buildings been under way at this season. So great had the demand for tenement and business buildings become, that many enterprising men have undertaken to provide what our city most needs. The new structures so far as tenement property is concerned are all up to date and many of them show the very latest combination of wood and cement construction. The business blocks, the theatres and factories under construction will add much to the value of our real estate as well as to the architectural beauty of our city.

The proprietors who are erecting these structures in the face of the present high cost of building material, show praiseworthy enterprise which will doubtless bring its reward. They show that they are not pessimists. They believe that our prosperity is here to stay and they are willing to take whatever risk of dull business the future may bring.

The real estate market which had been very dull during the past few years shows much activity and the improvement is felt at all points. Lowell is being prepared for a long period of steady prosperity despite the pessimistic views of men who think that the end of the war will see the end of good times. There is no justification for the calamity howl in the present situation. Whether Lowell maintains her prosperity or funks and goes backward depends entirely upon the spirit of enterprise, the tact and courage of her citizens. The watchword should be onward.

COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE

In his annual report Major General Scott, chief of staff of the U. S. army, declares that the volunteer military system has been demonstrated an utter failure. This statement is based upon the experience on the Mexican border. He states that the training period of 75 days in three years provided by the new national defense act is wholly inadequate. Soldiers so trained, he claims, would be unfit until they had at least six months' experience in actual war. He insists that it takes a year's training at least to make a soldier, although any time spent in excess of that period might also be used to advantage.

But it is principally to the difficulty of getting recruits that General Scott directs the force of his appeal. He shows that in eleven states with 16,000 enrolled men at the time of the recent mobilization, 10 per cent failed to respond and 29 per cent of the remainder could not pass the physical examination. As a result the men who went to the border were 43 per cent raw recruits, and brought up to war strength, the force would have been 75 per cent green men useless for war for many months.

While 151,096 officers and men were mustered into the federal service under the recent call to the border and 110,857 actually were on the border, yet this force was 97,000 below war strength and over 4,000 below authorized minimum peace strength. This is certainly a rather discouraging showing and one that calls for serious consideration by the government as well as by the critics who feel that this country should plunge into war with Mexico on one side and at the same time take the risks of complications with European powers on the other.

War as waged today is a different proposition from what it was ten, twenty or fifty years ago. The engines of destruction are far more powerful and the death rate in battle probably ten times as great as ever before. To put this nation on a war basis, as that is understood in Europe, will certainly require compulsory military service. Whether we have reached the point at which that would be necessary, will remain an open question until the end of the war. If that struggle closes without a crushing defeat to Germany so that the national rivalries would still endure, then instead of universal peace, will follow only the prospect of future wars fully as terrible as the present. With such an outlook ahead the United States in order to defend itself against foreign aggression would be obliged to adopt military compulsion and train every young man to be a soldier.

It is to be hoped that such a military necessity will never come, but if it does we have only to meet it as the call of patriotism in defense of our liberties.

THE BUSINESS OUTLOOK

While the country has issued the call for preparedness, while the government is building a big navy, preparing to equip a merchant marine and looking to expansion in every direction, there are still pessimistic notes heard at different points by people who in the midst of sunshine turn to look for ominous clouds on the horizon.

They cannot conceive the possibility that prosperity is here to stay, yet if the government policies of the present administration be carried out, there can be little doubt on that point.

Hon. George W. Perkins is going through the country as a prophet of evils to come and his chief panacea is an amendment of the Sherman law That law may be amended, but not quite to the point to which he would have it changed. In the opinion of Mr. Perkins the tariff must also be boosted in order to allow the co-operative units, as he terms them, to be established as they existed some years ago This would mean a restoration of the republican regime. He will have to wait at least four years for that.

But the south is booming as never before on account of the high price of cotton. The factories there are taking full advantage of the situation and will soon offer more formidable competition to the New England mills. Here is where the test of our textile supremacy will come. Will the mills of Lowell and other New England cities be able to set at defiance this step forward by the southern factories? The latter have not reached the point at which they can compete on the finer fabrics but on the course they will show up stronger than ever. Our mills have to prepare for this possibility in addition to meeting such foreign competition as may come after the war.

There is altogether too much alarm over what will happen to us after the war. The thing that will be felt most of all will be the falling off in foreign orders in our textile, shoe and other factories. The munition factories have helped Lowell a great deal and henceforward they will have to slacken their pace, as England is now making practically all her own munitions. The chief orders now remaining are from Russia. But should these factories reduce their help to normal, the other factories will be able to accommodate most of the hands thus left idle. There is no justification for pessimism as to the future, either locally or otherwise. Business in the nation will continue to boom and while it does, Lowell need not worry, although it is wise always to prepare for any future emergency.

GEN. JOFFRE DISPLACED

France is also to have a small war council in line with that of England and General Joffre is to be succeeded in general command by General Petain, the defender of Verdun. Joffre may be retired but France can never show him too much honor for what he did to stay the advance of Germany and conserve the forces of the republic. No general was ever more careful of his men or more opposed to exposing them to frontal attacks where the chances of victory did not warrant such a step. But when attacked General Joffre was the most stubborn fighter, a fact demonstrated in many a hard fought battle. Much of the glory that has come to the French arms came as a result of the skill and strategy of General Joffre.

ENGLAND'S NEW CABINET

England starts on a new chapter of the war under entirely new management. There is room for improvement as showing more effective work in every department. Lloyd George has undertaken the Herculean task and will have the support of the nation. His cabinet has many men whose names are not very familiar in this country yet the general impression is, that he has gathered together a body of men who are qualified for their respective positions and may do good work once they get acquainted with the ropes.

Lloyd George himself has been reported ill. Should he collapse under the strain, England would be left in a very bad predicament.

DEPORTING THE BELGIANS

Germany explains the deportation of the Belgians as an act of benevolence for which they should be thankful. To furnish employment is the cause assigned. That benevolence is something the Belgians do not want. They have been robbed of their property and their industries have been closed. No wonder they are idle with their factories leveled and all their resources exhausted in meeting outrageous war imposts. Germany's policy, however disguised, is one of the most tyrannical enslavements.

THE MERRIMACK RIVER

The matter of making the Merrimack river navigable is not yet settled. The army engineers are still considering it. They should decide at once in favor of the proposition and let the work be started as soon as possible. There is no other river in the world that turns so many spindles. Why haggle so much over a job that has very much more merit than many of the river jobs that have been favorably acted upon?

President Wilson, it is said, will go west to see his friends next spring, that is if matters are not then so pressing as to hold him in Washington.

Seen and Heard

Now's the time to get married. The restaurants have boosted the prices on every little thing.

Last week we chanced to meet at two dances and three picture shows a girl who the previous week told us she "rarely went out evenings."

She Was Determined to Know

One of our lady subscribers (the Nantucket Inquirer and Mirror man is telling this) who says she "reads every word" in the paper each week on Friday evening last became mystified over the line "Changed 'em yet?" and when her curiosity could no longer be checked she rang up on the 'phone.

"I can't understand what that means," said she. "I've looked at all my calendar pads and they are all right: I've changed my desk pad; I've had my window screens taken off and my storm windows put on; I've thought and thought, but I can't understand what you mean."

Fortunately, the telephone could hide our blushes so, after screwing up sufficient courage, we queried in a subdued voice: "Well, have you put on your winter flannels yet?"

Something evidently broke loose on the other end of the line. "None of your business!" snapped through the 'phone and we could hear the lady's receiver go up with a bang.

She brought it on herself, anyway.

He Ought to Get an Auto

The young man who has a car at his disposal surely has a winning way with the modern maid. Listen to this tale of woe as related by the Chatterer of the Rockland Independent:

John was keeping company with a young lady in a nearby town. He called regularly every Sunday evening. On one of those big nights he was as usual making good with his inimitable line of humor when the front door bell rang. The young lady ran to answer it. Then John read the paper, inspected the family album, and studied the wall paper designs, but the girl did not return. Two hours later John concluded that it was time to make an investigation. In the hallway he reached for his overcoat but it was missing. The thermometer hovered around the zero mark but he was too hot to notice this. Sticking his hat over one ear he started for home. In the street a big auto pulled up and out jumped the girl. Over her shoulders was John's coat. Ed had knocked at the door, invited her for an auto ride and she had grabbed John's coat and accepted. "Can you beat that for nerve?" says John.

The Deer They Didn't Eat

One young married woman out north, who has a large circle of friends and a brother-in-law who went after deer during the week when the law was off, is slowly recovering from an attack of near heart failure, according to the Plymouth Town Crier. She returned from a trip to town the other day, and found a big bundle of deer meat which had been left at her house, and remembering that the brother-in-law had promised her some (if he got any) assumed that he had struck luck and made good on the promise. There was all she could lug into the pantry, and she immediately began, woman-like, to plan who she would share it with. The neighbors were all told that they were in on the division of the spoils and her "hubby" was called on the 'phone and told to get his facial hatch ready to hoist in cargo. "We've got an awful lot of deer meat." "You bet I will," answered her worser half, "and I'm some stevedore." Then the 'phone rang. Another voice said: "Say, T., did yer git that hunk er deer Henry sent down ter the house? Well, it's his and he wants yer ter keep it fer him. S'long." Hubby ate corned beef and the neighbors are still waiting and the young woman is slowly regaining consciousness.

Shoes Winner Over Hat

Have you noticed Postmaster Creedon's new hat? inquires the Middleboro Gazette. It is very becoming and it comes as a result of his faith that President Wilson would be re-elected. Not that he would bet, but merely an agreement that he would make another a present if Hughes were elected. These are the facts: A friend from Danbury, Conn., was here shortly before election and he and our postmaster were talking over the political situation. The visitor was a strong Hughes supporter and after some conversation made the following proposition: That if Wilson were elected he would send Mr. Creedon one of Danbury's product, a hat, while as Middleboro was a shoemaking community a pair of shoes made here would be sent him if he were on the right side. The day after election Mr. Creedon received a postcard, giving the dimensions of the shoes needed. But the following day came another, stating that there was no need of ordering the footwear, and that the bet would be forwarded in a few days. It arrived the past week, a handsome brown one, custom made, and now adorns the noble brow of the federal official.

How Like the Trees

I walked through the paths that led by ancient trees;
Some stood in groups and cities in a row;
Their bright green leaves were dancing in the breeze,
And o'er their limbs the sunshine poured its glow.

The happy birds were singing everywhere,
And building nests with all a mother's skill;
As bursting flowers sent forth upon the air
Their perfumed breath with whispers of good-will.

Later among the same tall trees I strolled,
And lo! the leaves, so beautifully green,
Were turned to red, or yellowed o'er with gold,
Which gave a matchless splendor to the scene.

Later once more I walked the trees amen:
Chill rains and frosts before me had been there;
And where the leaves had played, and birds had sung,
Their crooked limbs shone homely, brown and bare.

And then I mused: How like to trees are we
On life's down-hill, outward attractions flown;
To know as once we ne'er again can be,
And we are left unvisited alone.

—Thomas F. Porter.

HIS HEART BADLY AFFECTED

"Fruit-a-tives" Soon Relieved This Dangerous Condition

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"For two years, I was a victim of Acute Indigestion and Gas In The Stomach. It afterwards *attacked my Heart* and I had pains all over my body, so that I could hardly move around. I tried all kinds of Medicine but none of them did me any good. At last, I decided to try "Fruit-a-tives". I bought the first box last June, and now I am well, *after using only three boxes*. I recommend "Fruit-a-tives" to anyone suffering from Indigestion".

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50c. a box, 6 for $2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ogdensburg, N.Y.

TRYING TO FIND OUT WHY FOOD IS DEAR

Department of justice officials announced that chief activity in the government's nation wide investigation into the middle west, especial attention being paid to the activities of coal dealers in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Toledo and other cities.

George W. Anderson, United States district attorney for the Boston district, directs the inquiry. He will go



GEORGE W. ANDERSON

over information outlined for presentation to the federal grand jury in Chicago and probably will visit also Detroit, where another grand jury inquiry will be begun. Later he may go to St. Louis, Kansas City and Minneapolis.

After analyzing figures obtained from the department of agriculture officials conducting the inquiry say that one of the chief needs of the country is a better method of distribution of foodstuffs. The method followed at present, it is said, would fail in time of emergency. Indications are that this phase of the subject will be placed before the president.

They Do Say

That tonight's the night.

That there are some people no revival spasm can reach.

That the safest thing in the world is to keep away from a liar.

That when a man thinks he's handsome his barber generally knows it.

That human nature and women are profound studies.

That a brutal policeman is a thug in uniform.

That when you're in love 'tis no matter how plain the girl may be.

That there's a lot of things we'd like to do that somehow never come our way.

That a lot of wrinkles are due to the fact that we have not yet learned to forget.

That the poor we have always with us—especially poor excuses.

That only the survivors really believe in the survival of the fittest.

That the ambitious office boy doesn't think much of the clerk who locks up his or her typewriter.

That the jitney business is great in Lowell.

That many Lowell people visit the state fish hatchery in Nashua, N. H.

That the executive committee is taking unto itself some power.

That 12 pounds of apples constitute one peck, while it takes 15 pounds of potatoes for the same measure.

That the Lowell women are invited to attend the convention of the sealers of weights and measures for their own benefit. The affair will be held in Boston.

That the extra penny on the Pelham line is causing the conductors a lot of trouble.

That the price of turkey will drop for Christmas.

That the women are beginning to watch the thermometer.

That even the price of soap has advanced.

That Marty will make a good basketball team manager.

That Saturday was the only gloomy football day of the year in Haverhill.

That it is all over but the cheering.

That out-of-town roller skaters who have aspirations of becoming champions had better keep away from Lowell.

That some of the boys are looking for those cigarets. Where are they, Bob?

That the funeral of the late Charles H Molloy was one of the largest ever held in this city.

That the voters and especially the candidates for office are on the anxious seat at this time.

That there is one type of fellow who has been so busy collecting the records of men who have made money that he has had no time to make some for himself.

That there will be an ambitious class of local writers at high school tomorrow evening.

That no one is to be envied for having a heavy mail the first of the month.

That Charley Molloy will be remembered for many a secret charity that only the beneficiaries know.

That a man is apt to describe his own faults in talking about his neighbor's.

That whether it's license or no-license the laws ought to be enforced.

That the Russian army keeps both wings intact, ready for instant flight.

That the czar was at the opera and the sardine was in a box.

That everybody likes mild winter weather except the coalmen.

That the Rumanians do not seem to suffer from rheumatism.

That there were a number of pools made on the license question.

That some police officers use undue force in making arrests.

That some of the jitney drivers should be prosecuted for over-speeding.

That the office boy will make a good president.

That the postman is wishing that Christmas was over.

That one South street woman didn't lose her head when a fire broke out.

That a good basketball team would prove attractive to local sporting fans.

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Articles carefully chosen by our buyers who know men's tastes.

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Attractive new colors, $1.00 to $2.00

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Fibre silk and pure silk—plain colors or with Roman border, $2.00 to $5.00

Men's House Coats
Or Smoking Jackets, of double faced cloth, with plaid facings, $5.00

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Exquisite Neckwear
Much the largest and richest collection we have ever shown—unique designs that are exclusively our own ..... $1.00 to $3.00

Men's Gray Mocha Gloves
Plain, Spear Point or black embroidered backs, $1.65 to $2.00

Motor Robes
Heavy all wool robes for the automobile, attractive patterns $6.75

Men's Collar Bags
Morocco or Suede leather—lined with satin, $1.00 and $1.50

Men's French Flannel Shirts
Mercerized Stripes and Plaids in delicate colorings $3.00

Men's Japanese Crepe Shirts
Dainty patterns $3.50

Men's Opera Slippers
Black or tan kid ..... $1.50 to $2.00

Men's Mocassins
Indian tanned leather ..... $2.25 and $2.50

Putnam & Son Co.

166 CENTRAL STREET.

WALSH SAYS INTERESTS CONTROL LEGISLATURE

FORMER GOVERNOR URGES ADOPTION OF INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM AS REMEDY

ATTLEBORO, Dec. 12.—Former Gov. Walsh in an address delivered here last night criticised the state legislature which, he said, was dominated and controlled by outside financial interests. He advocated the adoption of initiative and referendum, and declared that the form of the ballot by which the state voted last month to return to party enrollment, was calculated and intended to deceive the voters.

"By bitterest experience as governor was to see the extent to which men in the legislature are dominated and controlled by men outside and by financial interests," he said. "I strongly advocate the initiative and referendum. Every man who has run a lobby at the state house is against it, because it means the ending of his business. That very fact ought to recommend it. If your legislature is false and disloyal you ought to have the right to appeal to the supreme court."

The former governor then presented arguments in favor of doing away with the election of congressmen by districts, saying that the 43 representatives should be chosen from the state at large. He stated that he was opposed to the recall of judges and judicial decisions, saying that the judges were the conscience of the state. He also opposed the election of a president by the electoral college.

"I am in favor of a system which will make the northeast corner of Maine count as much as the southeast corner of Texas or any doubtful state. I believe in the popular election of presidents of the United States. I also believe there should be a law to disfranchise a man who fails to vote for two years in succession.

"The man who does not cast his ballot on election day is no different from the man who runs behind a tree when his country needs his defence."

Says Health Was All Broken Down

Well Known Lowell Citizen Relates How His Health Was Restored By Plant Juice.

Just because you are not incapacitated from your business or pleasure, the warnings of stomach trouble should not go unheeded, or serious results are bound to follow. These warnings take the form of dyspepsia, indigestion, dizziness, nervousness, constipation, headache, backache, pains in the back or side, that tired, run down feeling, and various other symptoms indicating a deranged stomach which can be restored to its normal condition by Plant Juice, the new herbal preparation. Under the influence of its general restorative effect, these disease symptoms rapidly subside; it clears up the liver, kidneys and bladder, and enables these organs to perform their proper functions, eliminates uric acid from the blood, which causes rheumatism, and brings back the flush of health to pale cheeks by enriching and purifying the blood.

Daily signed statements are received from well known local people testifying how they have been restored to health by Plant Juice. The following statement from Mr. Joseph Tarelli, who lives at No. 196 Lakeview Avenue, and is employed at the Lowell Bleachery, is especially convincing. He said:

"I have been troubled with severe pains in my stomach for the past eight years and could not digest my food; it fermented in my stomach and gas formed, and I had a burning and bloated feeling in the pit of my stomach, which gave me great pain every time I ate any food. I got so I dreaded to eat; I could not sleep at night and had a bad taste in my mouth in the morning and always felt tired on getting up and had no ambition or energy, in fact was entirely run down. I had tried many medicines but none of them seemed to help me, and when I read about Plant Juice in our home papers, I decided to try it. I can now honestly say that my stomach is greatly relieved, and I do not have that burning sensation any more, I sleep well and have no pains from gas. I feel better in the mornings than I did, and am more than satisfied with Plant Juice."

The Plant Juice Man is at Bowes, The Druggist's, in Merrimack Square, where he is daily meeting the local public, and introducing and explaining the merits of this remedy.

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Your new glasses call at our office and we will show you the latest invention in glasses.

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39 MERRIMACK STREET

Do you ever have the "blues"?

That discouraged feeling often comes from a disordered stomach, or an inactive liver. Get your digestion in shape and the bile acting properly—then the "blues" will disappear. You will soon be cheerful, if you take

BEECHAM'S PILLS

the people's remedy for life's common ailments. They act thoroughly on the stomach, liver and bowels, and soon regulate and strengthen these important organs. Purely vegetable—contain no harmful drugs. Whenever you feel despondent a few doses will

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The Kind You Have Always Bought has borne the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, and has been made under his personal supervision for over 30 years. Allow no one to deceive you in this. Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but experiments, and endanger the health of Children—Experience against Experiment.

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Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. For more than thirty years it has been in constant use for the relief of Constipation, Flatulency, Wind Colic, and Teething Troubles and Diarrhoea. It regulates the Stomach and Bowels, assimilates the Food, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

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TODAY'S STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
Allis Chalmers	32½	30	30¾
Am Beet Sugar	104	101	101
Am Can	59	55⅛	55⅜
Am Can pf	114⅛	114⅜	114⅛
Am Car & Fn	75½	72	72
Am Car & Fn pf ..	119¼	119¼	119¼
Am Cot Oil	52	51¾	51¾
Am Hides L Com ..	15½	15½	16½
Am Hide & L pf ..	76⅝	73	73½
Am Locomo	90	85¾	86⅜
Am Locomo pf	107⅛	107⅛	107⅜
Am Smelt & R	113¼	109⅛	103⅛
Am Smelt & R pf ..	116⅝	115½	116½
Am Sugar Rfn	114⅜	112	113
Anaconda	93½	90⅛	90⅛
Atchison	101⅛	103⅜	103⅜
Atchison pf	100¾	100¾	100¾
Baldwin Loco	78⅜	74¼	74½
Balt & Ohio.....	85	84½	84¾
Beth Steel 600		599	599
Balt & Ohio pf....	74⅝	74⅝	74⅝
Br Rap Tran	83¼	83	83¼
Cal Pete	26¼	23¼	23¼
Cal Pete pf.....	57	54	56½
Canadian Pa	166¾	164⅞	165½
Cast I Pipe Com..	25	22⅞	23⅜
Cast I Pipe pf	65	65	65
Cent Leather 111½		104½	105
Cent Leather pf ...117		116	117
Ches & Ohio	66⅛	64¾	64⅞
Chi & Gt W Com..	14⅜	14	14
Chi & Gt W pf....	42	40⅝	41
Chi R I & Pac.....	37⅞	36	36
Chile	26⅞	24½	25
Col Fuel	54⅛	51	51
Consol Gas 126		133½	133½
Corn Products	26⅛	24⅛	24½
Corn Products pf ..108¾		106½	108¾
Crucible Steel	82⅝	76¼	76⅝
Den & Rio G pf....	43	41	43
Del & Hud.....	50	50	50
Del L & W 239		238	238
Den & Rio G.....	18	18	18
Dis Secur Co.....	41½	40	40
Erie	36⅝	35¾	36¼
Erie 1st pf	51⅝	51⅛	51⅜
Erie 2d pf	42⅜	42⅛	42½
Gen Elec 178½		175	176½
Gen Motors 750		750	750
Goodrich	68⅛	66⅛	66½
Gt North pf	41⅞	40	40
Gt N Ore ctf 117½		116½	117½
Illinois Cen 106⅝		105	105
Int Met Com	17⅛	17¼	17¼
Int Met Com pf ...	72⅛	72⅛	72⅛
Int Mer Marine ...	44⅝	40½	40½
Int Mer Marine pf..116⅝		112	112
Int Paper	62½	57	57
Int Paper pf 107		104¾	104¾
Kan City So	26⅛	25⅛	25⅜
an & Texas	9¾	9	9¾
an & Tex pf	20	19	19
Lehigh Valley	80½	79⅝	79⅝
Louis & Nash 130		130	130
Maxwell	70½	68¾	69
*Maxwell 1st.....	79¾	79	79
Maxwell 2nd	50	49½	49½
Mexican Petroleum 106¾		102¾	103
Missouri Pa	18	17	17
Nat Lead	63¾	63⅛	63½
Nat Lead pf	113	112⅞	112⅞
N Y Air Brake 105		157½	151½
N Y Central 106½		105	105
Nor & West 127		135½	135½
No Am Co	71	70	70⅜
North Pacific 110½		110	110
Ont & West	30	29⅞	30
Pacific Mail	26¾	25⅝	25⅛
People's Gas 106⅞		106⅝	106⅝
Pennsylvania	56½	56⅛	56⅛
Pitts Coal	52⅝	48⅛	48⅝
Pressed Steel	83	78½	78½
Pullman Co 164		164	164
Ry St Sp Co.....	57⅞	54	54
Reading	108¾	106⅛	106⅛
Rep Iron & S.....	85¾	80⅞	80⅝
Rep I & S pf 116⅛		116	116⅛
St Paul	82	91⅛	91⅛
Sloss-Sheffield	79	75	75½
So. Pac	98½	97½	97⅝
Southern Ry	29¾	28⅞	29
Southern Ry pf....	68	68	68
Studebaker 119⅝		118⅛	118¼
Tex pac	18⅝	18	18
Tenn Copper	24¾	24⅜	24⅜
Third Ave	50¾	50¾	50¾
Union Pac 144½		143½	143⅝
Union Pac pf	83½	83½	83½
U S Ind Alcohol....135¼		124¼	124¼
U S Rub.....	68¾	66	65¼
U S Rub pf 114		113½	113½
U S Steel.....123		118⅝	118⅝
U S Steel pf 121⅝		121	121
U S Steel 5s 106		106	106
Utah Copper 113⅜		113½	113⅝
Va Chem	46¼	45⅞	46¼
Westinghouse	59½	56½	56⅜
Western Un 101		101	101

*Ex-Div.

BOSTON MARKET

Stocks	High	Low	Close
RAILROADS			
Boston & Albany..176½		176½	176½
Boston Elevated ...	79½	79½	79½
Boston & Maine	44	43	43
N Y & N H	56½	55	55
MINING			
Adventure	5	5	5
Ahmeek 118		118	118
Alaska Gold	12½	12¼	12¼
Allouez	74	71	72
Algomah	1⅜	1⅜	1⅜
American zinc	56	53⅝	53½
Arcadian	6	5½	5½
Arizona Com	15½	14⅝	14⅝
Butte & Superior ..	68	66	66⅞
Cal & Arizona	87	84	84⅞
Cal & Hecla 585		575	580
Centennial	22	22	22
Chino .....4....	65⅝	63	63½
Copper Range	74¼	71	71⅜
Daly-West	3½	3	3
E Butte	17⅛	16½	17
Franklin	10⅜	9	9½
Granby 101⅜		97	99
Greene-Cananea	50	49¾	45⅛
Hancock	19½	17½	17½
Indiana	4⅜	4¼	4⅜
Inspiration	66⅞	62⅞	63⅜
Isle Royale	38	36	37
Kerr Lake	4¾	4⅛	4¼
Lake	14	13½	13½
La Salle	5	5	5
Mass	16¾	15½	16
Mayflower	3	3	3
Miami	43⅞	41¾	42⅛
Michigan	3⅜	3⅜	3⅜
Mohawk 103		100	101
Nevada	30½	29	29⅜
Nipissing	9	9	9
New Idria	18	16	16
North Butte	28	21	21⅜
No. Lake	2⅜	2⅛	2⅛
Old Colony	2¾	2¾	2¾
Old Dominion	77	75½	75½
Osceola	98½	96	97
Quincy	98½	94	94⅝
Ray Con	31⅝	29¾	29⅞
Santa Fé	2	2	2
St Mary	97	96	96
Shannon	10½	9⅝	9⅝
Shattuck Ariz	32	30	30
Superior	16½	16	16⅛
Superior & Boston.	6⅞	6½	6⅝
Tamarack	45	44	44
Trinity	7	6½	6½
Tuolumne	2⅛	2	2
U S Smelting	73⅝	72	72
U S Smelting pf ..	52	52	52
Utah-Apex	4	3⅞	4
Utah Cons	20¾	19	19
Utah Metal	7	7	7⅛
Wolverine	52½	49	50
Winona	5¾	5½	5¾
TELEPHONE			
New Eng Tel.....125		125	125
Am Tel & Tel.....125⅞		125½	125½
MISCELLANEOUS			
Am Ag Chem Com 98		98	98
Am Ag Chem pf...103¼		103	103¼
Am Pneumatic	1¼	1½	1¼
Am Woolen	52½	48½	48⅝
Am Woolen pf.....	96⅜	95⅝	95⅝
Island Creek Coal...	69	66	66
Mass Gas	95	95	95
Mass Gas pf	81	80¾	80⅝
Mass Elec	3	3	3
Mass Elec pf	28	28	28
Pond Creek	23½	21½	21⅝
Swift & Co. 152		150	150⅝
United Fruit 158⅝		156	157½
United Sh M.....	58½	57¼	57½
Ventura	9¾	9⅝	9¾

FUNERALS

DWYER—The funeral of the late Mrs. Eliza A. Dwyer took place this morning at 9.30 o'clock from her home, 140 Pleasant street and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The cortege proceeded to the Immaculate Conception church, where at 10 o'clock a solemn high mass of requiem was sung by the pastor, Rev. Lawrence Tighe, O.M.I., assisted by Rev. Fr. Healey, O.M.I., as deacon and Rev. Fr. Mahon, O.M.I., as sub-deacon. There were many beautiful floral tributes including a pillow from husband, and pieces from mother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Dwyer, Mrs. B. Conroy, the Boyle family, Mr. and Mrs. James Dwyer, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Dwyer and family, Mr. and Mrs. William McNulty of Somerville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Riley and son, Aunt Mary of Stoneham, Mr. and Mrs. John McSorley, Mr. and Mrs. John Douglas, friends of Lowell police department, F. R. Atkinson, Miss Mary Farquharson, Mr. and Mrs. P. Harrington and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rourke, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Saunderhauf, Mr. John Bodkin and family, the Misses Emma and Carolyne Vellie of Somerville, the Misses Sweeney, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher McSorley, Mrs. Frederic Fleming, Mrs. Lawrence Mooney and family, the Dougherty family, Miss Julia Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Owen J. Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Mooney, Mrs. Elizabeth Crotty, Mr. and Mrs. William Sexton, Miss Catherine Tighe, Mr. Henry Tighe, Mrs. Marguerite Angier and family, Miss Mary Gleason, Mr. Daniel H. Walker and Miss Marguerite Tighe.

The bearers were Thomas F. Boyle, Eugene F. Malone, John Douglas, John F. McSorley, Patrick J. Mooney and John H. McNabb. At the grave Rev. Owen McQuade, O.M.I., read the committal prayers and the burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

QUINN—The funeral of the late Thos. H. Quinn took place this morning at 9.30 o'clock from his home, 1 West Burnside avenue, and was largely attended by sorrowing friends and relatives, including a number from out of town. Among the latter were Miss Bessie Quinn and Miss Bessie Cox of Boston, Frank Quinn of Lynn, Mass., Mrs. Samuel Sharples of Thorntons Ferry, N. H., Miss Elizabeth Cawley of New Bedford, Mass., Miss Annie Winn and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jones of Lawrence; also present at the services were Commissioner Charles H. Morse, Supt. of Streets John Blessington and Supt. of Sewers Patrick McCann. The cortege proceeded to St. Michael's church, where at 9.45 o'clock a mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Henry Tatlan. There were many beautiful floral tributes, including a pillow inscribed "Father" from the family of deceased; wreath inscribed "Grandpa," Mrs. Mary Etta Keefe and family, and pieces from his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sharples, James A. Sheehan of Lowell and Frank Quinn of Lynn, Mass., O'Donnell families, warp and spool room of the Merrimack Mfg Co., Miss Mae Bradley, John C. Martin family, Misses Mary and Lilla Pooley, Mrs. William Keefe and family, Charles Kilbride, John F. Hogan, Thomas O'Brien, John Murphy, Martin Cordingly, John Curley, Mrs. John Nerney, Miss Julia Lamb, Miss Mary Cox, Thomas M. O'Brien and Mrs. Charles H. Kimball. The bearers were Anthony McDermott, James McLean, Patrick Sharkey and James Gannon. At the grave Rev. Fr. Mullin read the committal prayers, and the burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery in charge of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

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TRADING WAS BROKEN AND MORE ACTIVE

RECESSIONS OF A POINT OR MORE IN NUMEROUS IMPORTANT ISSUES

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Yesterday's reactionary trend was carried to greater lengths at today's opening, with recessions of a point or more in numerous important issues such as U. S. Steel, leading coppers and other metals, petroleums, motors and specialties of less definite character. Rails also yielded though in more moderate measure. Trading was broader and more active, but individual offerings with the exception of steel were mostly small. Among the few stocks to register gains were Central Leather, Atlantic, Gulf & West Indies and Pressed Steel Car.

Exchanges

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Exchanges $754,461,917; balances $33,133,940.

Boston Market

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Copper shares without exception fell off in price after word of German peace proposals today. Mohawk and Copper Range, with losses of 3 points each, represented the extreme drop at noon.

Cotton Market

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Cotton futures opened steady. December 17.60; January 17.72; March 18.60; May 18.20; July 18.24; October 16.48.

Hurried Selling

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The first intimation of peace proposals was followed by hurried selling, particularly of war issues. Bethlehem Steel leading with a precipitate decline of 26 points with 15 for Gulf States Steel. U. S. Steel showed an extreme reversal of 4 points and others of that group fell away abruptly. Coppers also proved vulnerable at recessions of 2 to 5 points, with similar losses in equipments, shipping stocks, sugars and rubbers. Rails were unsettled with declines of 1 to 2 points in high grade shares. Liquidation continued throughout the forenoon with further impairment of prices.

Anglo-French 5's were at a new low record and exchange on the Teutonic countries was at greater discounts than at any time since the war.

CHANCELLOR INFORMS REICHSTAG OF PEACE PROPOSALS

BERLIN, Dec. 12, by wireless to Sayville.—Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech in the reichstag is reported by the Overseas News agency as follows:

Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg today announced to the reichstag that Germany, together with her allies "conscious of their responsibility before God, before their own nations, before humanity" had proposed this morning to the hostile powers to enter on peace negotiations.

Virtually all the members of parliament answered the unexpected summons. The crowded house and thronged galleries listened in attentive silence when the chancellor rose for his speech.

The chancellor first outlined the extraordinary political situation and then, insisting upon the achievements of the central powers, made an announcement which possibly may be the turning point in the war which for more than two years has held the world under its spell. The chancellor said:

"The reichstag had not been adjourned for a long period, but fortunately it was left to the discretion of the president as to the day of the next meeting. This decision was caused by the hope that soon happy events in the field would be recorded, a hope fulfilled quicker, almost, than expected. I shall be brief, for actions speak for themselves."

The chancellor said Rumania had entered the war in order to roll up the German positions in the east and those of Germany's allies. At the same time the grand offensive in Somme has as its object to pierce the German western front and the renewed Italian attacks were intended to paralyze Austria-Hungary.

"The situation was serious," the chancellor continued. "But with God's help our troops shaped conditions so as to give us security which not only is complete but more so than ever before. The western front stands. Not only does it stand but in spite of the Rumanian campaign it is filled out with larger reserves of men and material than it had been formerly. The most effective precautions have been taken against all Italian diversions. And while on the Somme and on the Carso the drum-fire resounded while the Russians launched troops against the eastern frontier of Transylvania, Field Marshal von Hindenburg captured the whole of western Wallachia and the hostile capital of Bucharest, leading with unparalleled genius the troops that in competition with all the allies made possible what hitherto was considered impossible.

"And Hindenburg does not rest. Military operation progressed. By strokes of the sword at the same time firm foundations for our economic needs have been laid. Great stocks of grain, victuals, oil and other goods fell into our hands in Rumania. Their transport has begun. In spite of scarcity, we could have lived on our own supplies, but now our safety is beyond question.

"To these great events on land," the chancellor continued, "heroic deeds of equal importance are added by our submarine. The spectre of famine, which our enemies intended to appear before us, now pursues them without mercy. When, after the termination of the first year of the war, the emperor addressed the nation in a public appeal, he said: 'Having witnessed such great events, my heart was filled with awe and determination.'

"Neither our emperor nor our nation ever changed their minds in this respect. Neither have they now. The genius and heroic acts of our leaders have fashioned these facts as firm as iron. If the enemy counted upon the weariness of his enemy, then he was deceived.

"The reichstag by means of the national auxiliary war service law, helped to build a new offensive and defensive bulwark in the midst of the great struggle," the chancellor continued.

"Behind the fighting army stands the nation at work—the gigantic force of the nation, working for the common aim."

"The empire is not a besieged fortress, as our adversaries imagined, but one gigantic and firmly disciplined camp with inexhaustible resources. That is the German empire, which is firmly and faithfully allied with its brothers in arms, who have been tested in battle under the Austro-Hungarian, Turkish and Bulgarian flags. Not confused by assevarations, we progressed with firm decision, and we thus continue our progressed, always ready to defend ourselves and fight for our nation's existence, for its free future and always ready to stretch out our hand for peace.

"Our strength has not made our ears deaf to our responsibility before God, before our own nation and before humanity. The declarations formerly made by us concerning our readiness for peace were evaded by our adversaries. Now we have advanced one step further in this direction.

"On Aug. 1, 1914, the emperor had personally to take the gravest decision which ever fell to the lot of a German, the order for mobilization which he was compelled to give as a During these long and earnest years of war the emperor has been moved by a single thought: How peace peace could be restored to safeguard Germany after the struggle in which she has fought victoriously.

"Nobody can testify better to this than I, who bear the responsibility for all actions of the government. In a deep moral and religious sense of duty towards his nation and, beyond it, towards humanity, the emperor now considers that the moment has come for official action towards peace.

"His majesty therefore, in complete harmony and in common with our allies, decided to propose to the hostile powers to enter into peace negotiations. This morning I transmitted a note to this effect to all the neutral powers which are watching over our interests and rights in the hostile states. I asked the representatives of Spain, the United States and Switzerland to forward that note.

"The same procedure has been adopted today in Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia. Other neutral states and His holiness the pope have been similarly informed."

Wednesday Steak Day

AT

Saunders' Market

Last week our Big Steak Sale was such a wonderful success that we have decided to make Wednesday of each week known as "Saunders' Steak Day."

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Rump Steak — FANCY LONG CUTS .....22c; VERY BEST LONG CUTS, No higher price, lb. ..... 25c; SHORT CUTS RUMP, lb. 30c

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ROUND STEAK — 29c CUTS BOTTOM ROUND, lb.....15c; ROUND CUT THROUGH, lb. .....17c; 28c CUT TOP ROUND, lb. 23c

VEIN STEAK — JUST A MOMENT Where can you match this price in Lowell? lb..... 20c

VEAL STEAK, lb. 17c..... HAMBURG, lb. .....10c PORK STEAK, lb.....14c

BUTTER Pound 37c | Musketeer Flour 24½ lb. bag....$1.15; 98 lb. Cotton...$4.50; Bbl. in wood...$9.25 | EGGS Doz. 35c

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Lamb To Stew lb 7c | FRESH SHOULDERS lb. 12½c | Small Yearling Legs lb 10c

New Crop Tea, lb. .....21c | Fresh Roasted Coffee, lb. ..17c | Corn Flakes, pkg.....5c

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$20, $27.50 to $50, Black Lynx, $15, $18 and $27.50
$15, $19.75 to $29.75, Hudson Seal, $7.50, $12.50 to $32.50

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TWO CHILDREN BURN TO DEATH

Relative Tried In Vain to Save Them at North Pelham, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Sleeper, Formerly of Lowell, Lost Home

NORTH PELHAM, N. H. Dec. 12.—Paul Edwin Sleeper, aged 6, and his brother(Graham, aged 5, children of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Sleeper, were burned to death by a fire in their home last night, supposedly caused by the capsizing of an oil lamp, and the Sleeper bungalow, into which the family moved only Sunday, was burned to the ground. The loss is estimated at $1000 and there is no insurance.

Sleeper has been a resident of the town for several years and is highly respected. He works nights as an engineer for the Ntshua Gummed and Coated Paper Company and was almost overcome when notified by telephone of the tragedy. He had built the bunalow himself, out of his own savings. It is on the Mammouth road, connecting Concord and Lo-

Mrs. Sleeper had left home at 6 last evening to visit the home of her brother, Joseph Selvas, nearby. She had just left the Selvas home for her own, about 6.30, when her daughter Ethel, aged 7, came running toward her in night clothes, dragging her younger sister, Rena, 1½ years old. Seeing her mother she screamed that the house was afire and Mrs Sleeper ran toward the house.

When she tried to enter it, she was partly overcome by the flames and smoke. Selvas meantime had arrived and he vainly tried to rescue the children. He fell unconscious, and before he was brought out he had suffered minor burns about the body. After an hour's work, Dr. Henry O. smith of Hudson revived him, but he is still in bad shape, having inhaled smoke and flames. Selvas is at the home of Dr. John Blackman, nearer the scene of the fire, where he was brought at first.

The Sleepers and the two children were taken in by Mrs. Ellen Woods, a neighbor. The Sleepers came here several years ago from Lowell, Mass. The bodies of the two children, burnt beyond recognition, were taken out of the debris after the fire subsided and were taken in charge by an undertaker.

LICENSE BIG FEATURE IN LAWRENCE

LAWRENCE, Dec. 12.—Although it is an "off year" in the sense that no mayor is to be elected this year, today's election promises to be a spirited one here. Active interest is being displayed in each of the contests to be balloted on, both sides in each have made arrangements to bring out a big vote and there is every indication of a total of over 10,000 votes being cast. An active campaign started here since Haverhill, Salem and Fall River went dry and has stirred the license forces to activity, and it is expected that there will be a heavy vote cast on the license question. Last year the majority in favor of license was materially larger than the preceding year but the no-license forces are endeavoring to reverse conditions this year, especially since Haverhill went dry, and they claim there is a strong livelihood of Lowell doing likewise.

THE LOWELL GUILD

At the meeting of the Lowell Guild, held in the guild home, Dutton street, yesterday afternoon, a large attendance heard the reading of the monthly report by Miss Holland, the superintendent. Miss Edith Stott, president, presided. A summary of the report is as follows:

The total number of nursing visits caring for the sick in ohe homes was 984; milk station calls instruction in the homes, 394; pre-natal visits, 2o; babies at conference, 50; new babies taken on, breast fed 6, home modification 14, station modification ,8; material relief, milk quarts 711, grocery orders 19; co-operating agencies, Knights of Columbus Guild, truant officer, Anti-Tuberculosis league, Humane society, Lowell Social Service league, police station, Lowell General hospital, Lowell hospital; clothing given, three boxes women's clothing, three boxes children's clothing, one baby's outfit, five pairs shoes, one baby carriage.

Talks given on personal health and personal hygiene: Barry Shoe shop, Ipswich hosiery, Hatch's box shop, Miss Martin's Camp Fire Girls, St. Anne's Camp Fire Firls, care of the baby and modification of milk, Vocational school.

Attention is called again to the value of visiting nurse associations and milk stations in making people realize that intelligent care means not only life, but also health and happiness, to many people who would otherwise suffer seriously.

The sum of $700 has been received from subscriptions and more is expected before Jan. 1. Cordial support for this work is earnestly solicited, as the object of the milk station especially is the conservation of the next generation through the prevention of the needless waste of infant life.

BRITISH EMPIRE AT WAR WILL BE RUN BY FIVE MEN, LLOYD GEORGE AT HEAD



ARTHUR HENDERSON — BONAR LAW

LORD CURZON — LLOYD-GEORGE — LORD MILNER

Concentrating the direction of the British end of the war in the hands of five men—Premier David Lloyd George, Lord President of the Council Earl Curzon, (to be government leader in the house of lords), Chancellor of the Exchequer Andrew Bonar Law (to be government leader in the house of commons), Arthur Henderson and Lord Milner (the last two ministers without folio)—places far more power in the hands of the prime minister than the British governmental system has ever known before. Mr. Lloyd George's proposals to Premier Asquith were for a war council, of which the premier could not be a member, although he should have the power of passing on its work. Mr. Lloyd George has not hesitated to place himself in the position more closely resembling a dictatorship than he was willing to give his predecessor.

David Lloyd George was denounced in Tory circles just before the war began as the man who was "dragging the country to the dogs" by his "socialist" measures.

Starting life as an inconspicuous Welsh solicitor, he escaped notice until 1890, when, at the age of thirty-seven, he entered parliament as member from Carnavon, Wales. Five years later he was appointed a member of the Campbell-Bannerman cabinet, holding the portfolio of president of the board of trade. When Asquith became premier in April, 1908, Lloyd George took over the portfolio of chancellor of the exchequer, where he soon became the best hated enemy of the Tories and a popular idol of the people at large.

Since then he has grown in popular esteem and power until he was looked upon as the logical leader for the kingdom in the present crisis.

Andrew Bonar Law, who has been a member of parliament for sixteen years, was an iron merchant and formerly a member of the firms of William Kidstons & Sons and William Jacks & Co., both of Glasgow. He was born in Canada and is the first colonial to head the Unionist party.

Mr. Law was appointed secretary of state for the colonies in the coalition cabinet formed last year after being leader of the opposition in the house of commons since 1911.

Lord Curzon, who is fifty-seven years old, has had long experience in foreign affairs, his most important post being viceroy of India, where he served during 1899-1905. Prior to this he had been undersecretary of state for India and later for foreign affairs. He has been lord of the privy seal of England since 1915. Since the beginning of the war he has been active in the recruiting campaign. He was married to an American, Miss Leiter, who died, and his engagement to another American, a widow, has been announced.

Arthur Henderson, leader of the Labor party in the house of commons, resigned from the Asquith cabinet, in which he held the post of president of the board of education, in August of this year. On Nov. 8 he was appointed minister of pensions, a newly created post made necessary by the war. He started life as a molder in the works of Robert Stephenson & Co. Mr. Henderson has been a member of parliament since 1903, and during 1908-10 was chairman of the parliamentary Labor party.

Lord Milner, who was among those mentioned as successor to Lord Kitchener as secretary for war, has long been identified with Egypt and South Africa. He has had a distinguished record as a colonial administrator and he has been one of the leading advocates of conscription.

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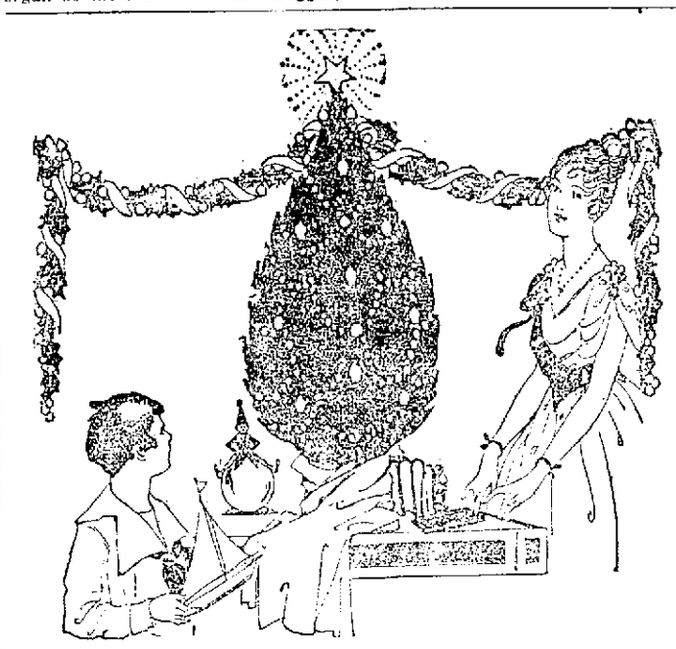
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W. E. SWIFT ELECTED MAYOR OF AUGUSTA

DEMOCRATS ELECT MAYOR AND ALDERMEN AT WESTBORO MAINE

AUGUSTA, Dec. 12.—Willis E. Swift republican, was elected mayor of Augusta for two years yesterday by a plurality of 561 over E. Maynard Thompson, democrat, and Calvin Carr, independent. The vote: Swift, 1617; Thompson, 1056; Carr, 22. The aldermen-elect are: Oscar P. Anderson, Virgil T. Trotnam, Henry O. Parmenter, J. O. Blanchette, Charles B. Philbrick, Arthur G. Hopkins and Barton Gallnas, republicans and Amos E Cannistraro, democrat.

WESTBROOK, Dec. 12.—Oscar K. Robinson, democrat, was elected mayor of Westbrook yesterday over Hugh A. Cragie, republican, who had a plurality of 129 a year ago. The democrats elected all three aldermen at large and four of the six ward aldermen. The board stood last year, nine republicans and four democrats.

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GREEK ARMY TO RESIST ALLIES

King Constantine Has Over 10,000 Troops Ready In Athens

Looks for German Thrust In Macedonia — Important Speech

BERLIN, via Tuckerton, Dec. 12.—The centre of military gravity has shifted suddenly to Greece, where further developments are awaited here with the keenest interest. Wireless communication with Athens has been re-established and a wireless report reaching Sofia gives the following survey of the situation:

King Constantine has, in Athens alone, over 10,000 troops loyal to him. Reservists and volunteers are hurrying to the colors all over Greece. Their number should soon reach 100,000. The feeling in Greece against the entente is strained almost to the breaking point. A single thoughtless act or new tactlessness on the part of the allies may cause an explosion. It is confidently hoped in Greek government circles that events will shortly take place in Macedonia which will liberate Greece from the clutches of the entente and make a quick end of the critical situation."

Expectation is keyed to the highest pitch in this connection by the sudden summoning of the reichstag and the announcement that the chancellor will deliver an important speech on the military and political situation today. Political circles here are indulging in the liveliest speculation as to what the chancellor will disclose.

It is known that the visit of King Leopold of Bavaria to headquarters, whence the chancellor, too, has just returned, is connected with the forthcoming announcement. That something of almost unprecedented moment is in the wind is further indicated by the kaiser at this time conferring the grand iron cross on Hindenburg, together with a personal letter of a warmth calculated to make a tremendous effect on public opinion. While it is understood the chancellor will go exhaustively into the military situation in Roumania, it is said that this is by no means the main theme of his heralded speech.

The Berlin Gazette is able to say in connection with the chancellor's speech, that events now occurring in the southeast had caused the government to plan summoning the reichstag as soon as they had sufficiently progressed, but that developments had come so much faster than was expected that it was decided to call the reichstag together sooner than was planned. The chancellor is expected to disclose certain information of both military and political nature of the utmost importance for the further development of the general political situation.

FRANK EDWIN ELWELL AT WOMEN'S CLUB

Frank Edwin Elwell of New York, the noted sculptor who made the Lilley and Bonney monuments in the Lowell cemetery, kindly consented to fill in an open date at the Middlesex Women's club yesterday afternoon. His talk was entitled "Why Honesty is the Soul of Art," and in the development of his theme he stated many original ideas on a great variety of subjects. The central idea of his talk was the need for art appreciation in America and more especially the need for appreciation of American art and American artists.

"We live in a house of clay," said Mr. Elwell, and it is hard to see the ideal. Yet, there have always been prieds of art. There was the stone age, the iron age, the copper age, and the golden age, and now we have the tin can age. No nation can hope to perpetuate itself without some form of art, and there are great possibilities for are in this country. Why, then, cannot we have an age of art in America? One of the difficulties, he thinks, is the system of education, and we keep adding to its details of throwing away the discard."

The lecturer said that it is a sad opportunity on public taste that our wealthy men run after second rate junk from Europe instead of helping artists of real genius here at home. In its great haste to make money and to enjoy itself in a mad round of pleasures America has forgotten beauty and lacks the repose which is necessary for the cultivation of art. There was a promise with St. Gaudens and Innes but "they have passed into the next room and we are back to the junk heap." A few, he said, educated at Ecole des Beaux Arts, try to keep alive the tradition, but there is little encouragement. He would have museums for American art only in every city instead of the "museums of faked masterpieces" that are now so common.

Mr. Elwell said that in the cultivation of art and the ideals of art is one of the hopes of the future race, because it is contrary to the spirit that brought about the present. War, he said, is degradation and is not patriotism and if the soldiers realized their personal dignity and their relation to the Supreme they would throw down their arms and let the rulers fight it out alone. He sees a happy change coming and things that "soon it will be as popular to go to the studio of a living American painter as to patronize some foreign Barnum of the artistic profession who comes here to be lionized by American society. The Greeks gave the world the highest ideal of physical beauty and America can give the world the greatest spiritual beauty.

In conclusion he spoke of the spirit of art and the instincts of the real artists, bringing his talk up to a recent climax and oftentimes steering a courageous course through controversial subject. His lecture bristled with epigrams and though one might be inclined to question some of hih deductions he spoke throughout with force, originality and distinction.

PUT U.S. NAVY'S NEEDS AHEAD

Secretary Daniels Asks Authority Over Steel Plants

Drastic Defense Measures to Be Urged Upon Congress

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The attention of congress was directed sharply yesterday to matters relating to both the army and navy, which are expected to be productive of agitation for even more drastic measures of national defense than have yet been seriously considered.

Secretary Daniels before the house naval committee advocated legislation which would compel steel companies and other private concerns to give preference to government orders for military supplies. He will submit a new section for the pending naval appropriation bill for this purpose in order to hasten battleship construction, which, he declared, was being delayed by commercial work both in the yards of private builders and in the steel plants.

Secretary Baker wrote Speaker Clark in response to a house resolution that 71,834 out of the grand total of 163,800 National Guardsmen taken into the federal service up to Aug. 31, were without previous military training. Rejections of enrolled guardsmen for various causes operated later to increase the number of raw recruits to approximately 60 per cent. of the force.

To Cite British Cabinet Crisis

In this connection also, army officers charged with the duty of studying events of the European war, both political and military, made preparations to contend before the congressional military commission that the fundamental reason for the cabinet crisis in England was the volunteer military policy there prior to the passage of the conscription act.

The experience of Great Britain is viewed by these officers as the strongest argument for the establishment of universal military training in the United States as urged in the report of Maj. Gen. Hugh Scott, chief of staff, and to which the entire American general staff is committed.

Another aspect of the National Guard situation came from Quartermaster-General Sharpe, who told of a $25,000,000 deficiency incurred by the war department to equip any pay state troops now in the federal service. If an average of 75,000 men are retained on the border until June 30, he said, the deficiency will be $50,000,000. The universal training advocates are expected to use these figures in contending that prohibitive cost would be the result of the present system if the nation needed a great army.

Delays in Naval Program

Secretary Daniels explained to the naval committee a statement in his annual report as to the delays encountered in getting the building program authorized by the last session under construction. He pointed out that no satisfactory bids have been received for the four battle cruisers of the 1917 battle program, nor any bids at all for three of the four scout cruisers. They are new types, but vitally necessary, in the opinion of the general board, the secretary said, and added:

"Every time we make a change and advancement in design, the shipbuilders want to stick to the old plans."

The secretary will ask $6,000,000 a year for the equipment of government yards to build ships. He inserted a statement in the committee record showing his approval of the general board's recommendations for 12-gun, 22-knot, 42,000-ton battleships in the 1918 program at a probable cost per hull and machinery alone of $15,000,000 each. The ships will carry 16-inch 50-calibre guns, the most powerful weapons ever designed for naval use, mounted three to a turret.

Would Promote Boatswain Hill

The secretary recommended abolition of the naval prison at Portsmouth, N. H., and the establishment there of a marine barracks for 1000 men. He said that marine detachments from the Naval academy, the Boston and New York navy wards and elsewhere would be concentrated at the new post, while the prisoners would be sent to the prison ship Southery at Portsmouth.

Mr. Daniels praised the services of Boatswain Hill, commanding the Southery, and approved a suggestion by Representative Roberts that he be made a commander in the navy by act of congress.

Extension of facilities for enlisted men to enter the Naval academy was urged by the secretary, but he disapproved the suggestion for early graduation of midshipmen to fill vacancies in the service. He intimated that he might ask later that the pay of all enlisted men on first enlistment be raised to encourage recruiting, but did not go into details.

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